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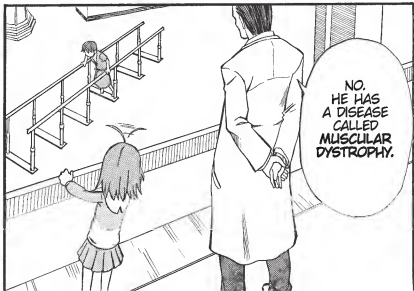
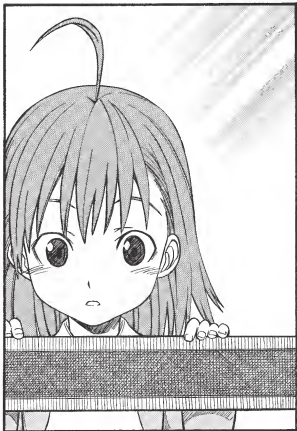
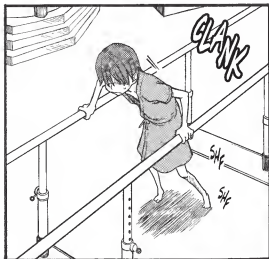
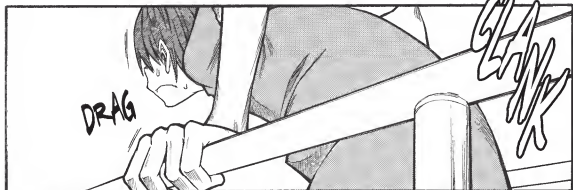


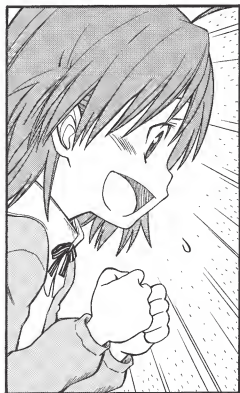
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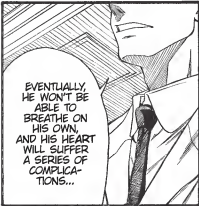




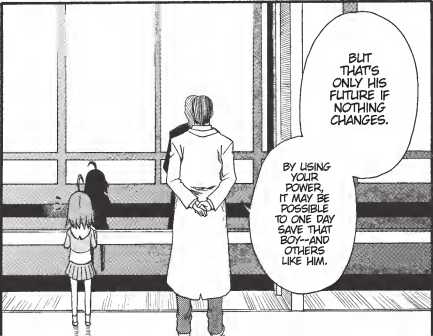
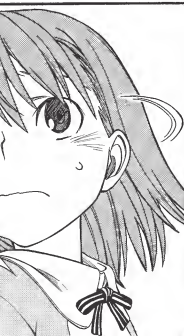
WITH ALL
OF OUR
ADVANCES
IN MEDICINE,
WE *STILL*
DON'T HAVE A
FUNDAMENTAL
TREATMENT
FOR HIS
DISEASE.

HE WON'T
EVEN BE
ABLE TO
STAND UP
SOON.

BUT NO
MATTER HIS
EFFORTS,
THE
DETERIORATION
OF HIS
MUSCLES WILL
NEVER
STOP.



EVENTUALLY,
HE WON'T BE
ABLE TO
BREATHE ON
HIS OWN,
AND HIS HEART
WILL SUFFER
A SERIES OF
COMPLICA-
TIONS...

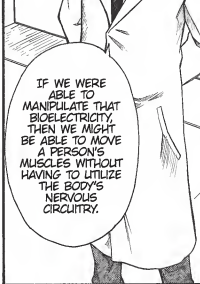


BUT
THAT'S
ONLY HIS
FUTURE IF
NOTHING
CHANGES.

BY USING
YOUR
POWER,
IT MAY BE
POSSIBLE
TO ONE DAY
SAVE THAT
BOY--AND
OTHERS
LIKE HIM.



BY EXPLORING
YOUR ABILITIES
AS AN ELECTRO-
MASTER AND
"PLANTING" SUCH
ABILITIES INTO
ANOTHER PERSON,
WE MAY BE ABLE
TO CONQUER
MUSCULAR
DYSTROPHY,
ONCE AND
FOR ALL.



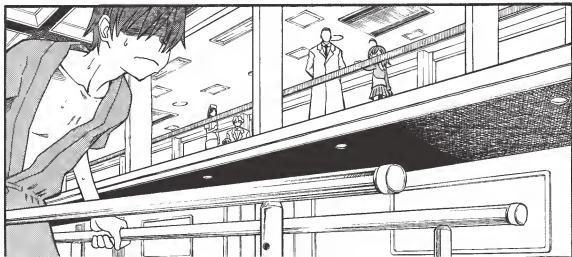
IF WE WERE
ABLE TO
MANIPULATE THAT
BIOELECTRICITY,
THEN WE MIGHT
BE ABLE TO MOVE
A PERSON'S
MUSCLES WITHOUT
HAVING TO UTILIZE
THE BODY'S
NERVOUS
CIRCUITRY.

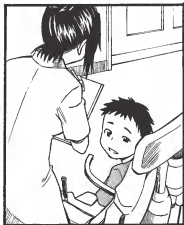


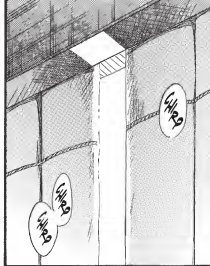
COMMANDS
ISSUED BY THE
BRAIN ARE
RELAYED TO
THE MUSCLES
THROUGH
ELECTRICAL
IMPULSES.



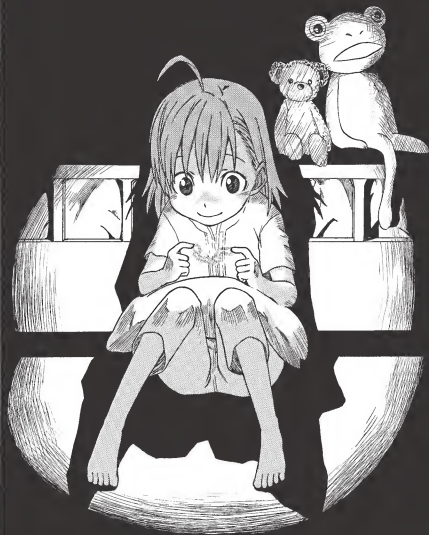
THAT
BEING SAID,
WOULD YOU
BE WILLING
TO PROVIDE
US WITH A
MAP OF
YOUR DNA?

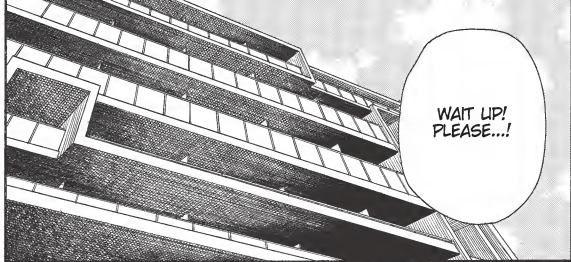






CHAPTER 18: AUGUST 10 (1)





WAIT UP!
PLEASE....!



I JUST
WANTED TO
FEEL THE
WARMTH
OF ANOTHER
HUMAN
BEING,
THAT'S
ALL~!

SHUT IT,
PERVERT.



YOU KNOW
HOW THEY
ALWAYS
HOLD THAT
AREA-WIDE
FIELD TRIP AT
THE START OF
SEPTEMBER?

THEY STILL
HAVEN'T
DECIDED
WHERE
WE'RE
GOING YET.



IN OTHER
WORDS,
YOU'RE
GOING OFF
ON
ANOTHER
ONE OF
YOUR KIDDIE
JUNK
SHOPPING
SPREES.

LIKE YOU
DON'T
HAVE
ENOUGH
WEIRD
TOOTH-
BRUSH-
AND BATH
KITS
ALREADY...

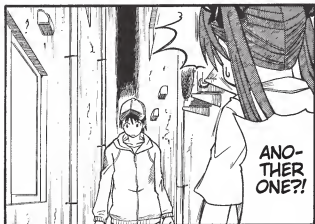
I WAS
THINKING
OF
PICKING
UP SOME
TRAVEL
STUFF
FOR THAT.

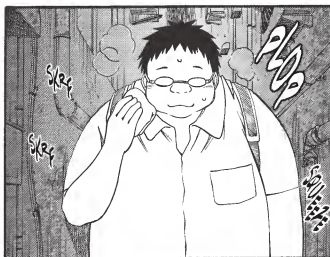


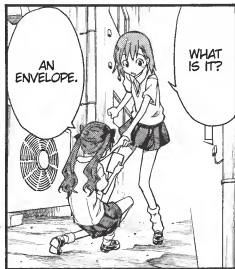
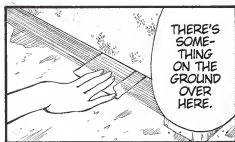
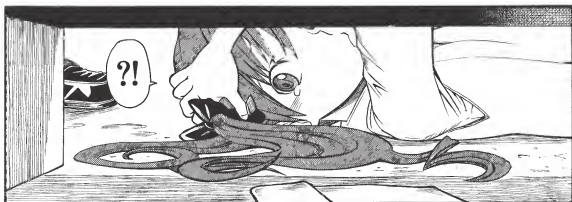
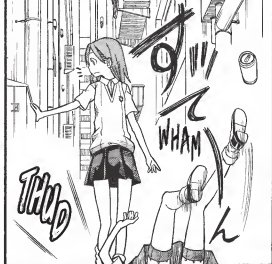
A-
ANYWAY,
WHERE
ARE YOU
HEADED
OFF TO
TODAY,
ONEESAMA
?

HMM...











A
CASH
CARD
?



KUROKO,
YOU
SHOULDN'T
BE OPENING
UP SOME-
THING THAT
DOESN'T
BELONG
TO YOU.

I DIDN'T.
IT WAS
ALREADY
OPEN.



HUH?!
IS
THIS...



YOU
FOUND
ONE, TOO,
SHIRAI-
SAN?



THE PAST
FEW DAYS,
I'VE BEEN
GETTING
REPORTS OF
PEOPLE FINDING
CASH CARDS
ALL OVER THE
SEVENTH
SCHOOL
DISTRICT.

THERE
HAVE BEEN
48 CASES...
NO, WAIT.
IT'S
JUMPED TO
56 NOW.

"TOO"?



WELL, WHILE IT'S FORBIDDEN TO PURPOSELY ABANDON OR DESTROY PHYSICAL CURRENCY, CASH CARDS AREN'T COVERED BY THOSE LAWS.

THAT'S WHY THERE HASN'T BEEN ANY OFFICIAL WORD.



IF YOU TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE NUMBER OF UNREPORTED CASES WHERE PEOPLE ARE SIMPLY KEEPING THE CARDS, THEN THE NUMBER OF INCIDENTS IS PROBABLY SEVERAL TIMES GREATER.

I HAVEN'T HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT THIS!



RUMORS ABOUT THEM HAVE BEEN SPREADING QUICKLY OVER CAMPUS.

THEY SEEM TO BE PLACED STRATEGICALLY IN PLACES WITHOUT MUCH PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC.

SO FAR WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO FIND ANY FINGERPRINTS ON THE CARDS OR ENVELOPES.

THE AMOUNT OF MONEY ON THE CARDS RANGES FROM AS LITTLE AS A THOUSAND YEN TO WELL OVER FIFTY THOUSAND YEN...



RECENTLY, THERE HAVE BEEN A FEW SQUABBLES OVER CARDS, OR INCIDENTS WHERE CARD-HUNTING STUDENTS HAVE WANDERED INTO SKILL-OUT* TERRITORY AND BEEN ROUGHED UP...

WHICH IS WHY WE CAN'T IGNORE THESE THINGS ANYMORE.

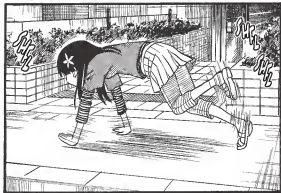
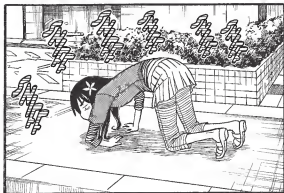


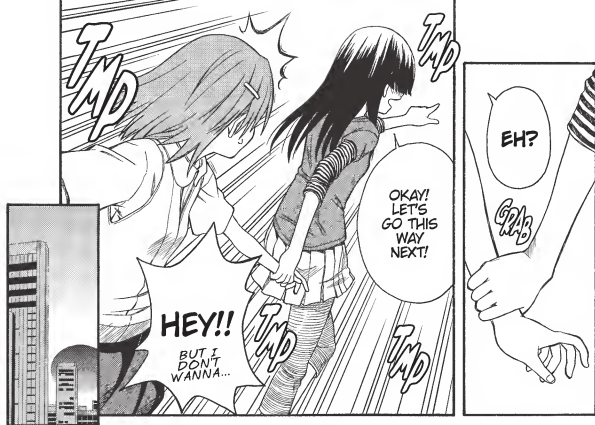
THE LAST ONES TO HEAR RUMORS LIKE THAT.

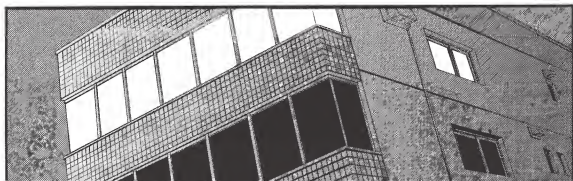
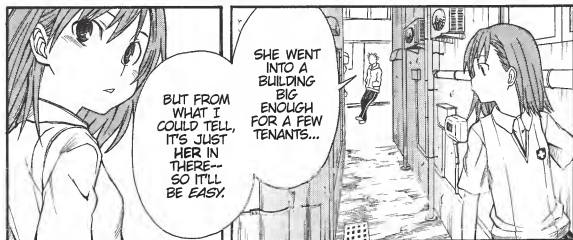
NOW THERE ARE QUITE A FEW PEOPLE WANDERING AROUND THE BACK ALLEYS, SEARCHING FOR CARDS.

SO THAT'S WHY THERE WERE SO MANY PEOPLE THERE.













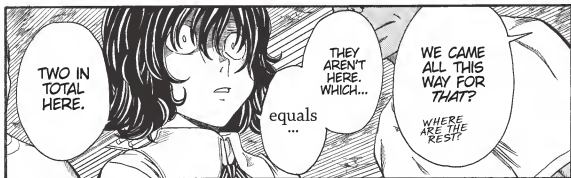
WHAT
THE--?
THERE'S
ONLY
TWO IN
HERE!

NONE IN
HER
UNIFORM,
EITHER.



SO
WE'LL GO
THROUGH
YOUR
STUFF
OUR-
SELVES.

WHOA, THERE.
IT WOULD
BE A REAL
PAIN IF YOU
TRIGGERED
A SILENT
ALARM OR
SOMETHIN'...



TWO IN
TOTAL
HERE.

THEY
AREN'T
HERE. WHICH...

equals
...

WE CAME
ALL THIS
WAY FOR
THAT?

WHERE
ARE THE
REST?



IS SHE A
PSYCHIC?

WHA
?!

SHE'S JUST
ACTING
TOUGH
'CAUSE SHE
KNOWS WE
WON'T
HURT
HER.

HEH,
WHATEVER.
AIN'T MANY
PSYCHICS
THAT COULD
FACE ALL
OF US.



YOU'RE
PRETTY
DAMN
CALM,
MISSY.



WHAT'RE YOU GETTING ALL SCARED ABOUT?

I... I AIN'T SCARED !!



UH... OKAY.

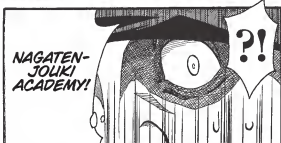
YOU-- KEEP AN EYE ON HER.



DAMMIT. I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS ABOUT THIS CHICK, BUT SHE'S CREEPY AS HELL... WAIT... HUH?



SHE MAY'VE HIDDEN 'EM SOMEWHERE. SPREAD OUT AND LOOK.



NAGATEN-JOUKI ACADEMY!



THAT EMBLEM. WHERE'VE I SEEN IT BEFORE?

I COULDN'T SEE IT BEFORE, BUT UNDER HER LAB COAT...

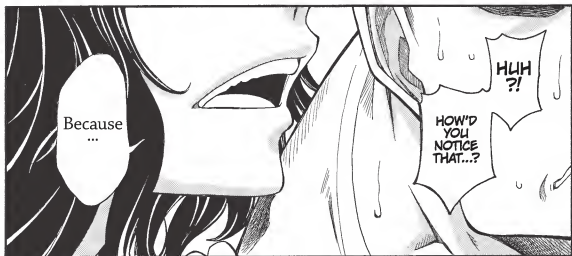
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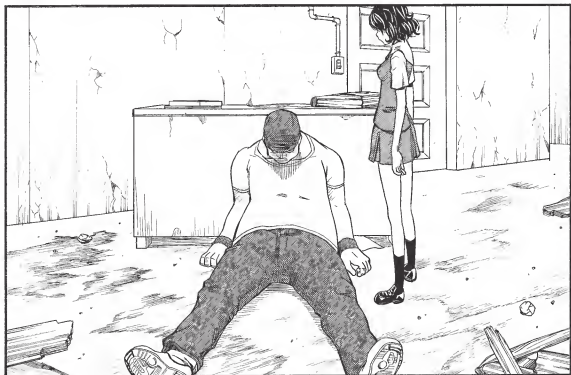
BUT IF I SAY SOMETHIN', THEY'LL JUST CALL ME A WUSS. THIS SUCKS... I NEVER WANTED TO JOIN SKILL-OUT IN THE FIRST PLACE. I JUST GOT CAUGHT UP IN SOME CRAP...

THAT'S THE SCHOOL THAT BEAT TOKIWADAI DURING LAST YEAR'S DAIHASEI FESTIVAL*.

DAMN, SHE'S A STUDENT IN ONE OF THE TOP FIVE SCHOOLS IN ACADEMY CITY! IS SHE A HIGH-LEVEL PSYCHIC? BUT WAIT, IT'S DIFFERENT FROM TOKIWADAI...

I HEARD YOU CAN GET INTO NAGATEN-JOUKI EVEN IF YOU'RE NOT AN ESPER.





THEN
SHE IS A
PSYCHIC?



B-BUT...
SHE AIN'T
GOT A
WEAPON
ON HER.
HOW'D
SHE--?

IF SHE
WAS, SHE
WOULD'VE
FINISHED
US OFF
ALREADY!



WHAT'D
YOU
DO TO
HIM?!





I HAVE AN
ACTIVATION
CONDITION
FOR MY
ABILITY,
YOU SEE.



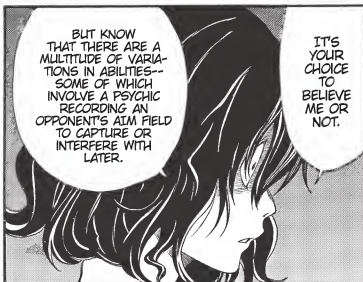
I CAN
ONLY USE IT
AFTER I'VE
COME INTO
PHYSICAL
CONTACT
WITH AN
OPPONENT.

"CRITICAL."



ONCE I'VE TOUCHED
MY OPPONENT,
NO MATTER WHERE
HE RUNS, I CAN END
HIS LIFE.

However
...



BUT KNOW
THAT THERE ARE A
MULTITUDE OF VARI-
ATIONS IN ABILITIES--
SOME OF WHICH
INVOLVE A PSYCHIC
RECORDING AN
OPPONENT'S AIM FIELD
TO CAPTURE OR
INTERFERE WITH
LATER.

IT'S
YOUR
CHOICE
TO
BELIEVE
ME OR
NOT.



GET REAL!
I'VE NEVER
HEARD OF
A WEIRD
ABILITY
LIKE THAT.

YOU KNOW
THAT THING
ABOUT US
NOT HURTING
WOMEN
AND KIDS?
THAT'S ONLY
AS LONG AS
WE DON'T
GET HURT.

WHAT
A STUPID
BLUFF.

THEN AGAIN,
THAT CONCEPT
MAY GO OVER
THE HEADS OF
LEVEL 0s
LIKE YOUR-
SELVES.

CRUSH
HER!!

FWEET!

THEN
HOW'D
SHE
KILL
SATOSHI
?!

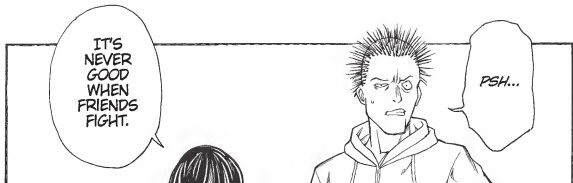
IT'S
JUST
AN
ACT.
MAN
UP!

I...
I GOT
TOUCHED.

IF YOU REALLY
THINK SHE'S
BLUFFING,
THEN WHY'RE
YOU USING
THAT THING
AGAINST AN
UNARMED
GIRL?!

IF SHE'S
TELLIN' THE
TRUTH,
THEN I'M
GONNA DIE,
MAN!

WHAT
?







AND THEN
THERE
WAS ONE.



MY EYES
WERE
JUST
GETTING
USED TO
THE
LIGHT,
THEN
SHE...



NOT
AGAIN
!

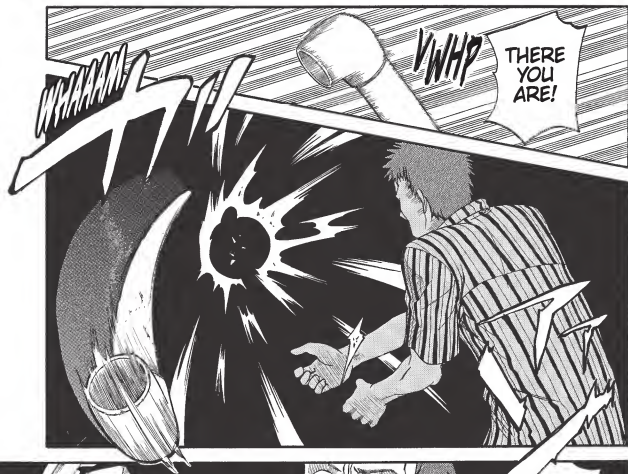


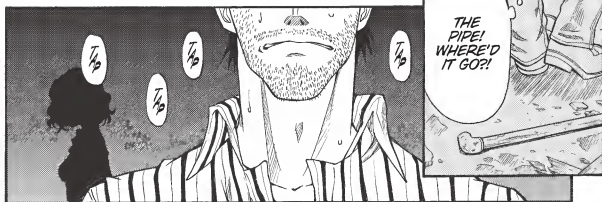
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KLIK

ARE YOU
FRIGGIN'
SERIOUS
...?

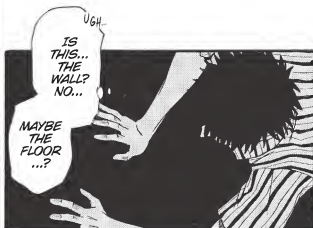








I CAN'T
TELL
WHICH
WAY IS UP
OR DOWN
ANYMORE
...



UGH-
IS
THIS...
THE
WALL?
NO...
MAYBE
THE
FLOOR
...?



DON'T
WORRY.
JUST LIKE
YOUR
FRIENDS,
YOU
WON'T
FEEL ANY
PAIN.

NOW YOU
MEET THE
CONDITION
OF MY
ABILITY.

ST-
STOP
IT...!

ALL I
NEED TO
DO NOW
IS LOWER
MY HAND.

H-
HOLD
ON.

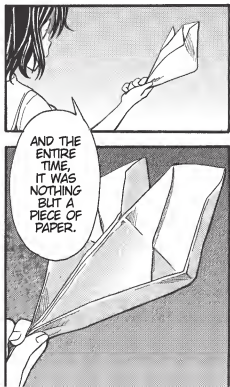
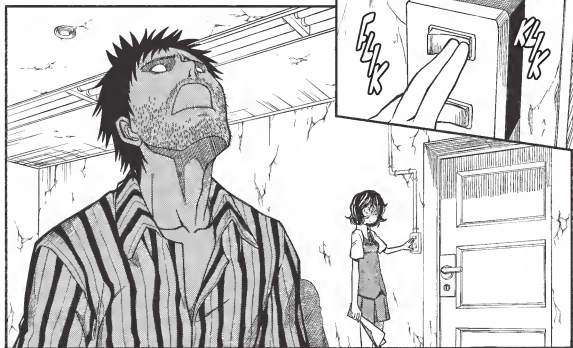
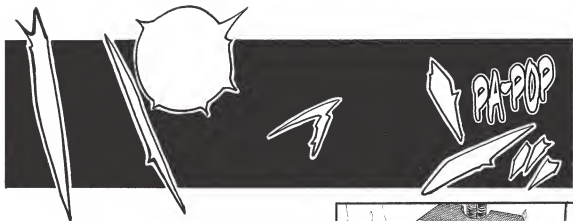
THIS WAS
MY BAD.
I'LL BACK
OFF, I
SWEAR...

AH!

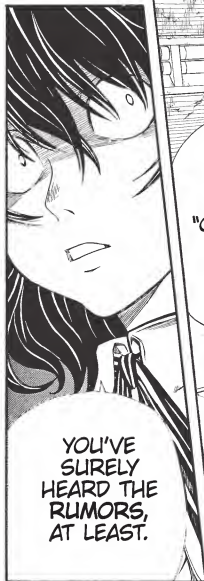
FASH

DON'T!
PLEASE
!!

K
VWASH







YOU'VE
SURELY
HEARD THE
RUMORS,
AT LEAST.

THE
"ORIGINAL"
?

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THEY'RE
SUPPOSED
TO BE
USED AS
MILITARY
WEAPONS.
THEY'RE
GONNA BE
RELEASED
SOON.

"I HEARD
THEY'RE
MAKING
CLONES
FROM
THE
RAILGUN'S
DNA."



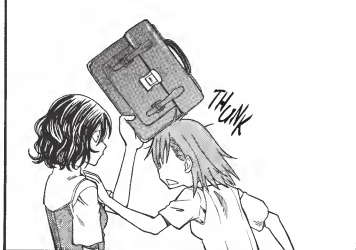
RUMORS...

WAIT!





WOULD YOU HAPPEN TO KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THOSE RUMORS, SEMPAI?



YOU'RE IN MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND I'M IN HIGH SCHOOL.

THERE ARE SOCIAL CONVENTIONS WHEN ADDRESSING YOUR ELDERS.

DON'T BE SO FAMILIAR!

WHAT WAS THAT FOR?



MORE THAN YOU DO.



THE TRUTH WOULD ONLY BRING YOU PAIN...



UGH!



I DIDN'T ASK THAT!
I ASKED WHAT THE HECK YOU KNEW ABOUT IT!
BESIDES, IF I CAN'T DO ANYTHING, THEN WHAT COULD YOU POSSIBLY--

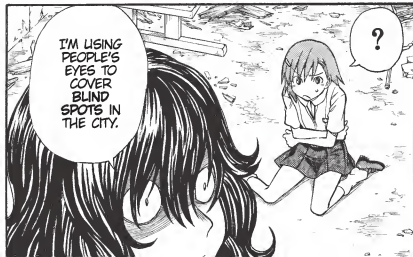


I'M ALSO PRETTY INSIGNIFICANT BEFORE THEM, YOU KNOW.

WHAT... WHAT WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO DO, SEMPAT?

A... ROLLING SOBAT?

A jumping, spinning back kick seen in Japanese pro wrestling and video games.



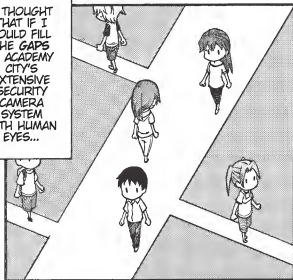
I'M USING PEOPLE'S EYES TO COVER BLIND SPOTS IN THE CITY.

?

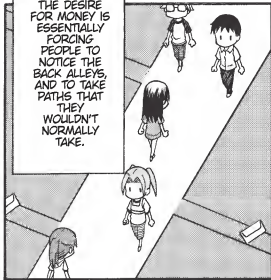


DISPERSING THOSE CASH CARDS IS PART OF MY PLAN.

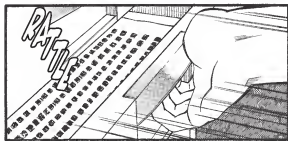
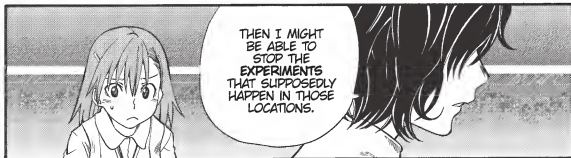
I THOUGHT
THAT IF I
COULD FILL
THE GAPS
IN ACADEMY
CITY'S
EXTENSIVE
SECURITY
CAMERA
SYSTEM
WITH HUMAN
EYES...



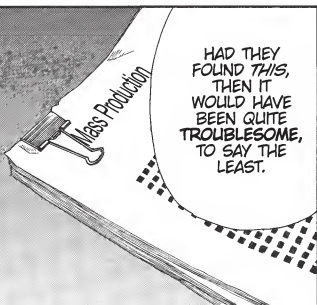
THE DESIRE
FOR MONEY IS
ESSENTIALLY
FORCING
PEOPLE TO
NOTICE THE
BACK ALLEYS,
AND TO TAKE
PATHS THAT
THEY
WOULDN'T
NORMALLY
TAKE.



THEN I MIGHT
BE ABLE TO
STOP THE
EXPERIMENTS
THAT SUPPOSEDLY
HAPPEN IN THOSE
LOCATIONS.



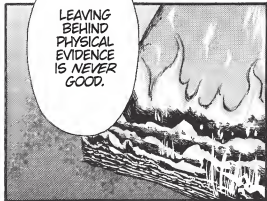
HAD THEY
FOUND THIS,
THEN IT
WOULD HAVE
BEEN QUITE
TROUBLESOME,
TO SAY THE
LEAST.



I NEVER
IMAGINED
SOMEONE
WOULD SEE ME
HIDING THE
CARDS AND
FOLLOW ME
BACK HERE...
THAT WAS
CARELESS
OF ME.



LEAVING
BEHIND
PHYSICAL
EVIDENCE
IS NEVER
GOOD.



I WAS JUST
BORROWING
THIS PLACE,
ANYWAY.
WE OUGHT
TO LEAVE
BEFORE
THEY
WAKE UP.



FLIK



W-WAIT
A
MINUTE
!!

PLEASE
...

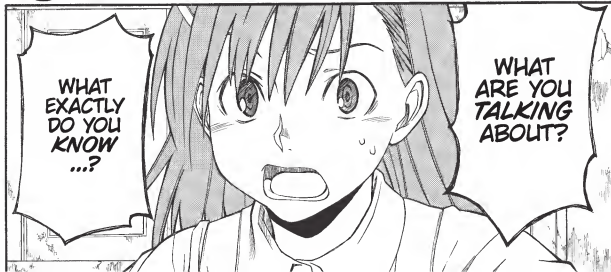
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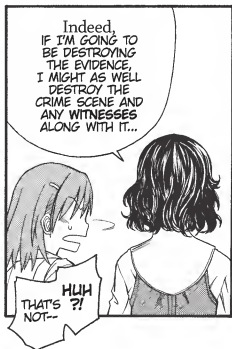
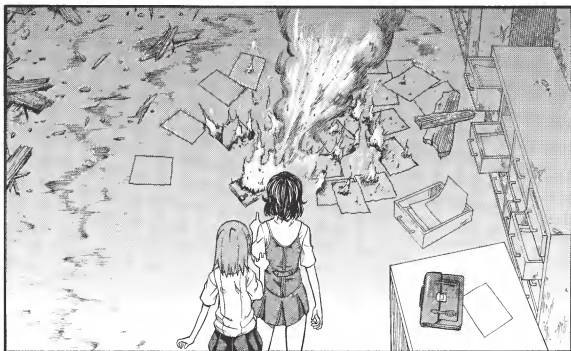
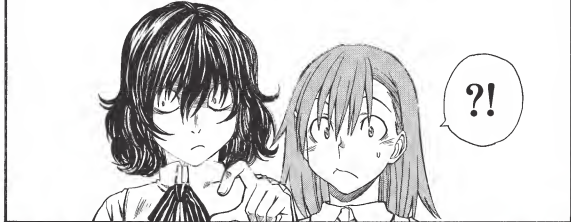
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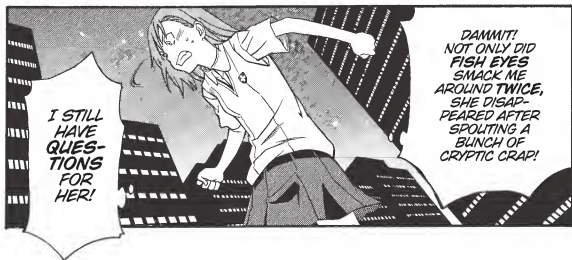
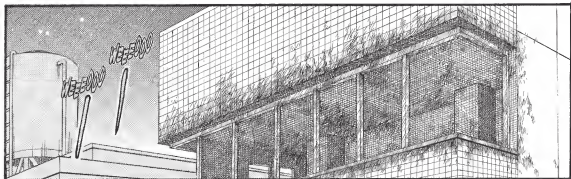


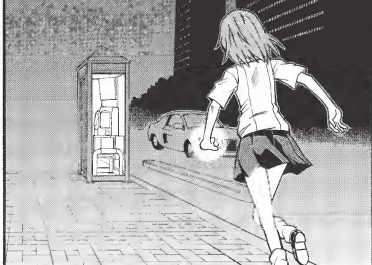
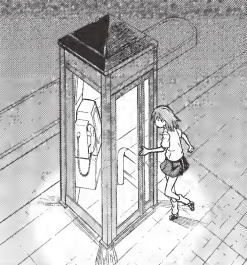
WHAT
EXACTLY
DO YOU
KNOW
...?

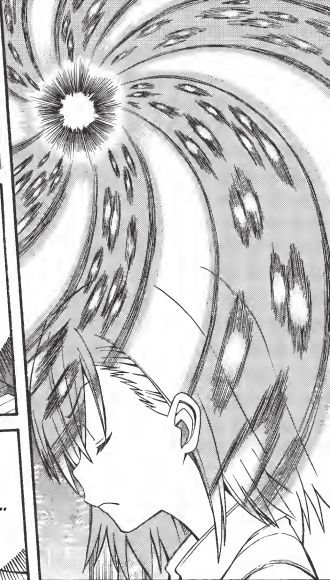
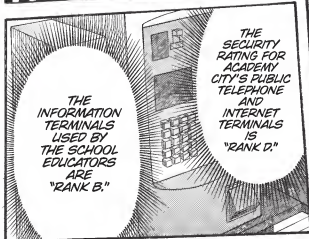
WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?



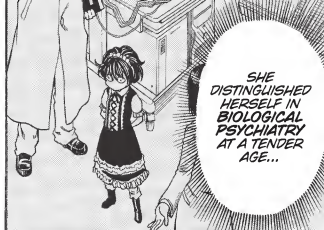








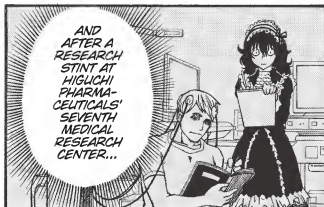




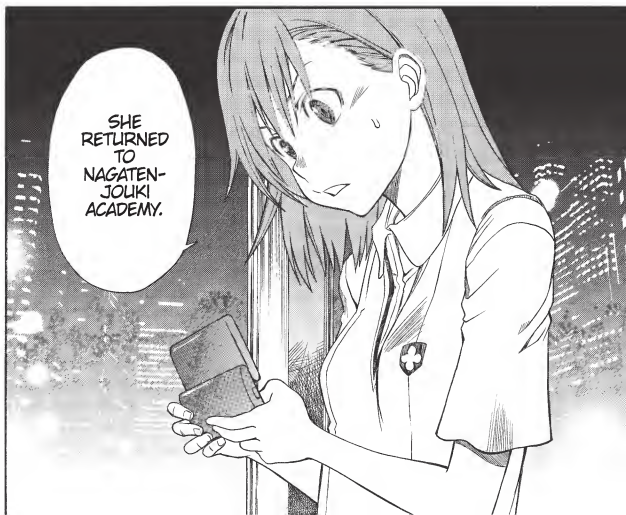
*SHE
DISTINGUISHED
HERSELF IN
BIOLOGICAL
PSYCHIATRY
AT A TENDER
AGE...*



**NUNOTABA
SHINOBU,**
A THIRD
YEAR HIGH
SCHOOL
STUDENT.
SEVENTEEN
YEARS OLD.



*AND
AFTER A
RESEARCH
STINT AT
HIGUCHI
PHARMA-
CEUTICALS'
SEVENTH
MEDICAL
RESEARCH
CENTER...*



*SHE
RETURNED
TO
NAGATEN-
JOUKI
ACADEMY.*



HIGUCHI
PHARMA-
CEUTICALS,
SEVENTH
MEDICAL
RESEARCH
CENTER.

ISN'T THAT
WHERE
THEY'RE
DOING
RESEARCH
ON MY DNA
MAP...?



IF I GO
AFTER FISH
EYES AGAIN,
SHE'LL
PROBABLY
JUST GIVE
ME THE SLIP.

DON'T
BE
SO
FISH-
LIKE!



I'LL
INFIL-
TRATE
THE
PLACE
AND SEE
FOR
MYSELF!

SNAP

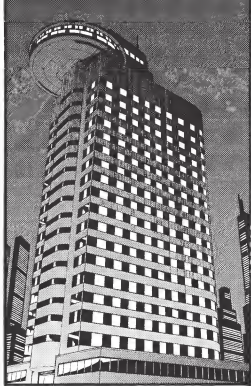
FINE!



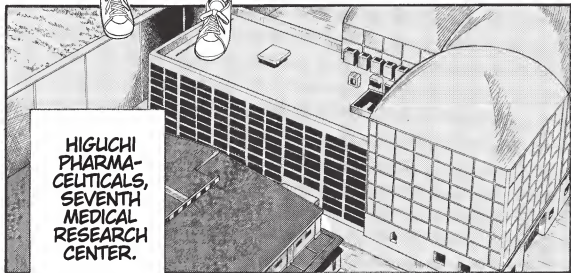
A SPOILED RICH GIRL WHO GETS A HOTEL ROOM INSTEAD OF A COIN LOCKER.

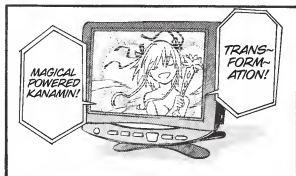
WELL...

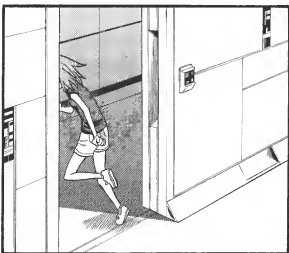
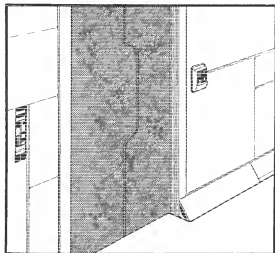
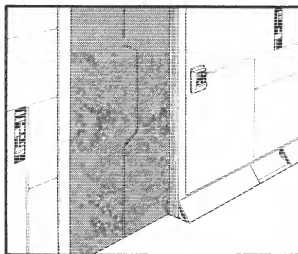
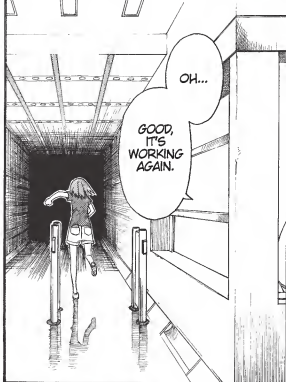
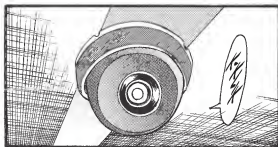
I GUESS THIS'LL HAVE TO DO.

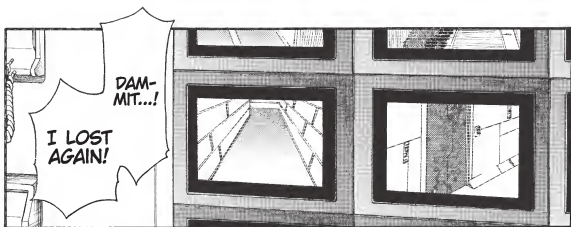


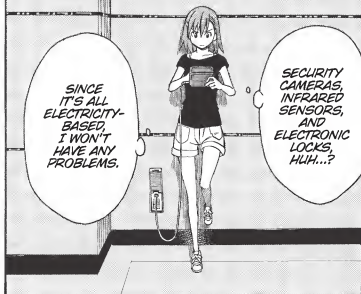
HIGUCHI
PHARMA-
CEUTICALS,
SEVENTH
MEDICAL
RESEARCH
CENTER.





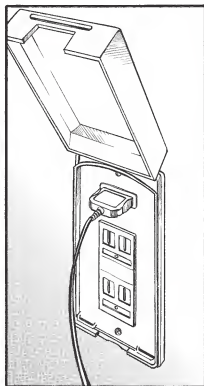






SINCE
IT'S ALL
ELECTRICITY-
BASED,
I WON'T
HAVE ANY
PROBLEMS.

SECURITY
CAMERAS,
INFRARED
SENSORS,
AND
ELECTRONIC
LOCKS,
HUH...?



I SHOULD BE
MORE WORRIED
ABOUT THE
EMPLOYEES
AND SECURITY
GUARDS...



.....
?

TAP
TAP
TAP

*LAN = Local Area Network.

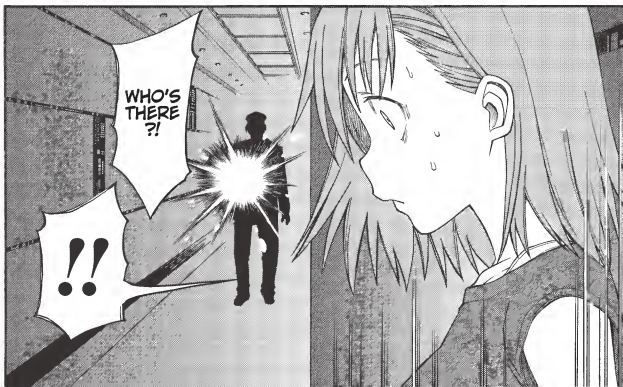
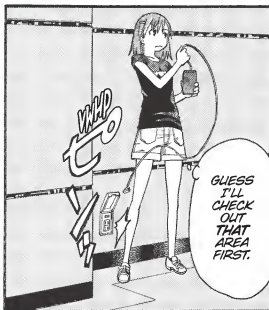
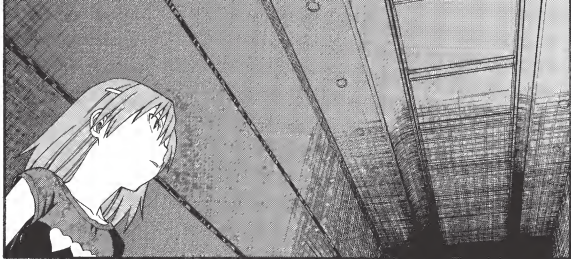


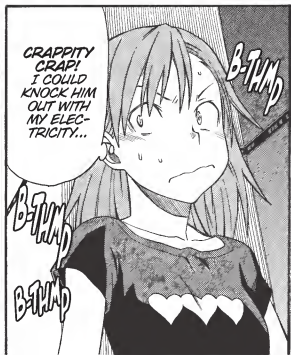
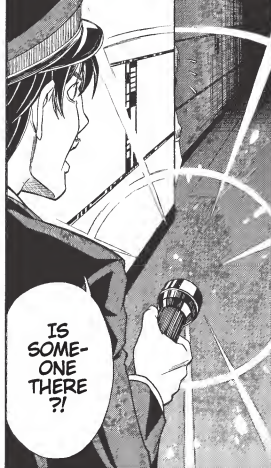
THERE'S
AN ISOLATED
SECTION HERE
THAT HAS
POWER,
BUT ISN'T
CONNECTED
TO THE
LAN*.

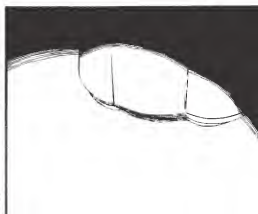
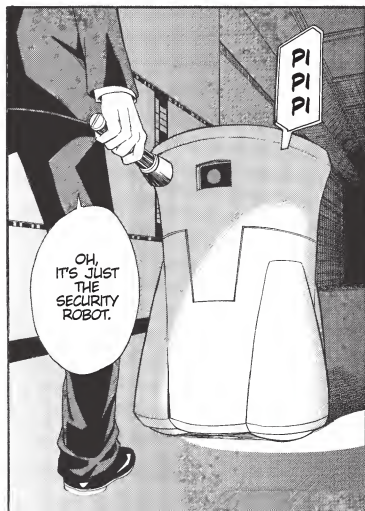
NO...
SCRATCH
THAT.

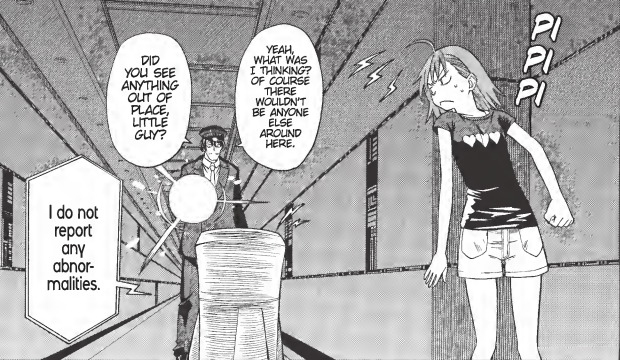


THAT'S
WEIRD.
I DON'T
SEE ANY
RESEARCH
STATIONS
MATCHING
WHAT I'M
LOOKING
FOR.







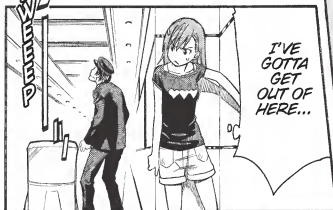




BUT WHY?!

**THE SENSORS
SHOULDN'T
HAVE
REACTED
TO ME!**

**DID I
MESS UP
SOMEHOW?**



**I'VE
GOTTA
GET
OUT OF
HERE...**

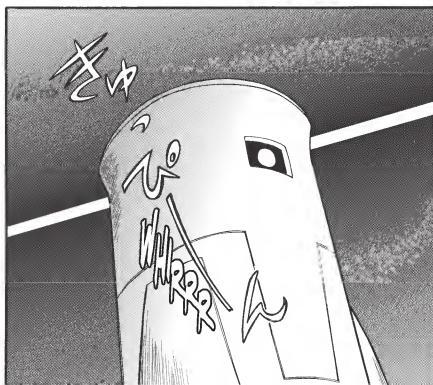


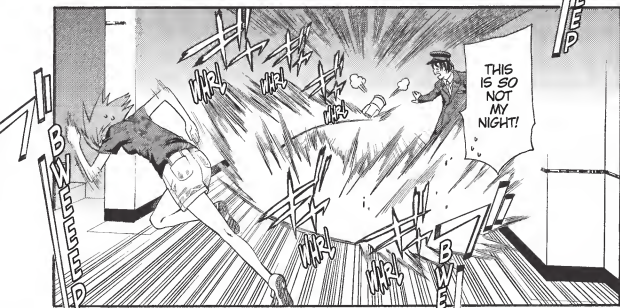
**THE ALARM
?!**

**WHAT THE
HECK
?!**

?

?







HEY!
WHAT'S
UP
WITH ALL
THESE
ALARMS
?!

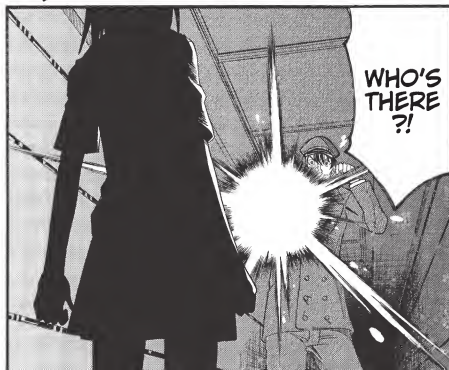


CRAP,
I TOTALLY
FORGOT.
WE WERE
SUPPOSED
TO HAVE A
VISITOR OR
SOMETHING
TODAY.

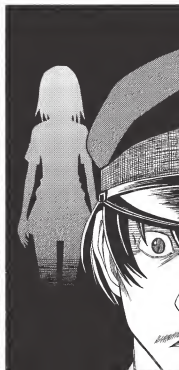


WAIT
RIGHT
THERE.
I'M ON
MY WAY
TO YOU.

SAY
AGAIN?!
I CAN'T
HEAR A
DAMN
THING
YOU'RE
SAYING!

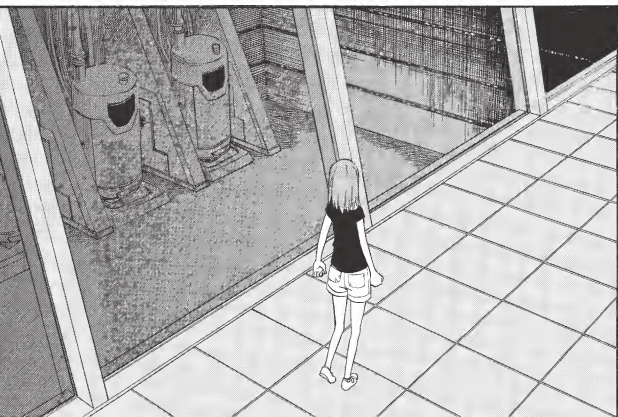
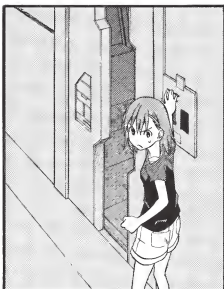
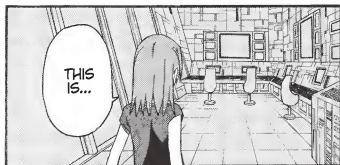


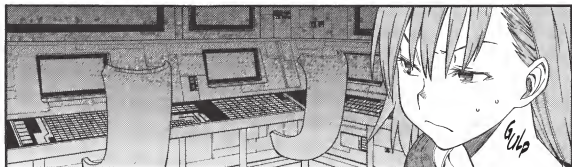
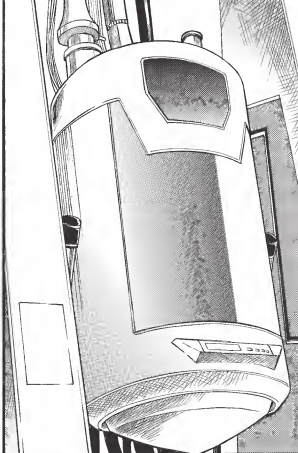
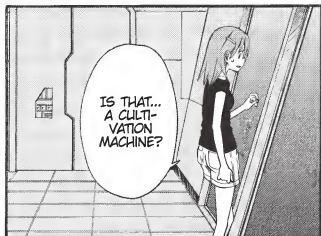
WHO'S
THERE
?!



OKAY!

LET'S
DO
THIS!







WE GOT
WORD
THAT
SHE'D BE
STOPPING
BY.



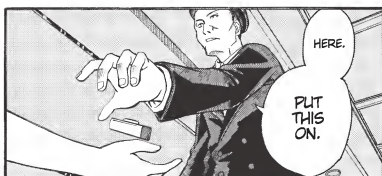
DON'T
WORRY
ABOUT
HER.
SHE'S
CLEARED.

SO
HOW
DID YOU
GET
IN?!



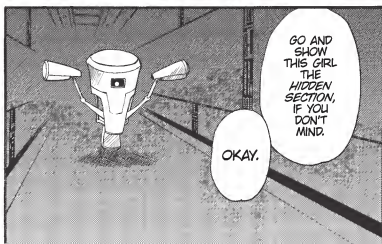
GUESS I
FORGOT TO
TELL YOU THAT
SOMEONE WAS
COMING AROUND
TO TAKE CARE
OF THE DATA
LEFT BEHIND BY
ONE OF OUR
FROZEN
PROJECTS.

THE IDIOT
IN RECEPTION
PROBABLY
FORGOT TO
GIVE HER
A STAFF
CARD.



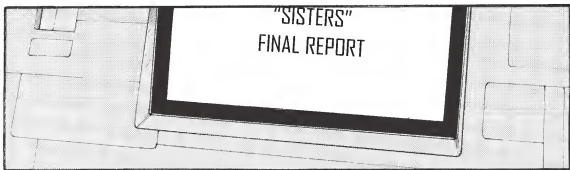
HERE.

PUT
THIS
ON.



GO AND
SHOW
THIS GIRL
THE
HIDDEN
SECTION,
IF YOU
DON'T
MIND.

OKAY.



RAILGUN MASS PRODUCTION PLAN
"SISTERS"
FINAL REPORT

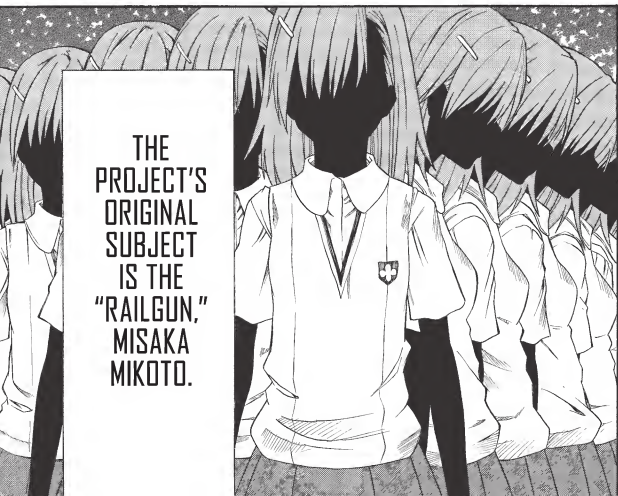


THIS IS TO
BRING ABOUT AN
INTENTIONAL 100%
REPRODUCTION
RATE OF LEVEL 5s,
FORMERLY BORN
THROUGH PURE
CHANCE.



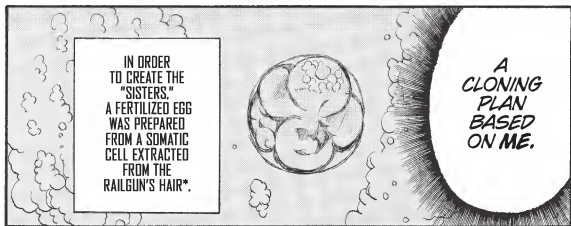
THIS PROJECT'S
PURPOSE IS TO
UNCOVER THE DNA
PROGRAMMING
PATTERNS THAT
ARE REQUIRED TO
PRODUCE LEVEL 5
PSYCHICS/ESPERS.

THE
PROJECT'S
ORIGINAL
SUBJECT
IS THE
"RAILGUN,"
MISAKA
MIKOTO.





IT
REALLY
DID
EXIST...



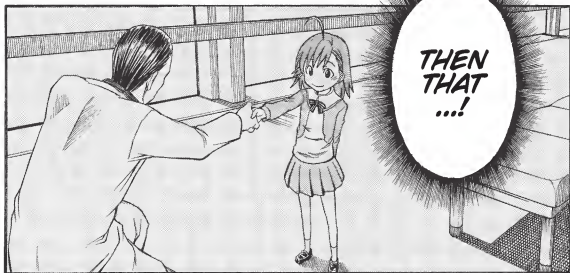
IN ORDER
TO CREATE THE
"SISTERS,"
A FERTILIZED EGG
WAS PREPARED
FROM A SOMATIC
CELL EXTRACTED
FROM THE
RAILGUN'S HAIR*.

A
CLONING
PLAN
BASED
ON ME.

*A process known as somatic-cell nuclear transfer (SCNT).



ALTHOUGH
THE PROCESS OF
OBTAINING THE
NECESSARY DNA
PROGRAMMING
PATTERN WAS A
CHALLENGING ONE,
THROUGH THE USE
OF A NEGOTIATOR,
WE WERE ULTIMATELY
SUCCESSFUL IN
REGISTERING THE
ORIGINAL SUBJECT'S
DNA SEQUENCE IN
ACADEMY CITY'S
"BANK."



**THEN
THAT
...!**



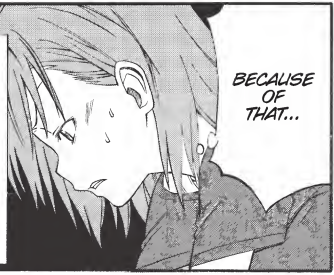
IN ORDER TO
SHORTEN THE TIME
REQUIRED TO
SECURE A VIABLE
TEST SAMPLE,
IT WAS NECESSARY
TO HASTEN THE
DEVELOPMENTAL
SPEED OF THE
BODY AND MIND.

**THIS
WAS
THEIR
GOAL
FROM
THE
VERY
BEGIN-
NING?!**

**BUT
MORE
IMPOR-
TANTLY...**

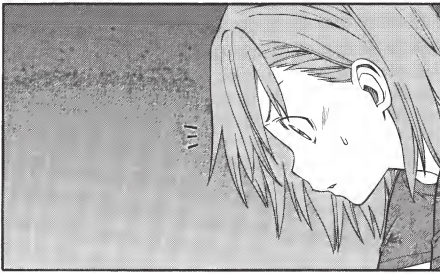
BASIC
INTRA-CEREBRAL
INFORMATION WAS
PLACED UNDER THE
SUPERVISION OF AN
OUTSIDE STAFF
MEMBER, NUNOTABA
SHINDOU, WHO
EMPLOYED
"TESTAMENT"
FOR THE
INSTALLATION.

BY ADMINISTERING
Zid-02, Riz-13,
AND Hel-03 TO
THE SUBJECTS,
WE WERE ABLE
TO COMPLETE A
PHYSICAL COPY
OF THE RAILGUN IN
APPROXIMATELY
FOURTEEN (14)
DAYS.

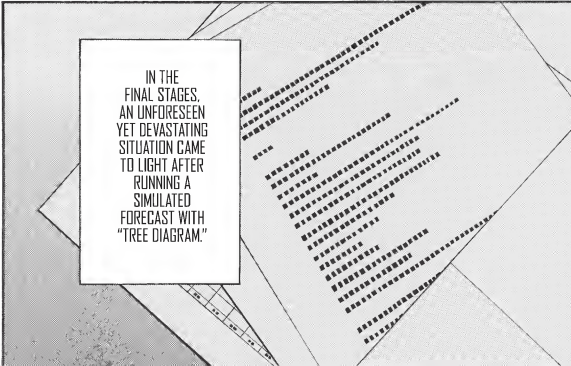


AFTER CONFIRMING
THE THEORY BEHIND THE
PROCESS OF MASS-
PRODUCING THE "SISTERS,"
THE PROJECT WAS
MOVED TO THE NEXT STEP.
WE WERE TO BEGIN
CONSTRUCTION OF THE
MASS PRODUCTION
SUPPORT SYSTEMS FOR
THE "SISTERS."

BECAUSE
OF
THAT...



HOWEVER...



IN THE
FINAL STAGES,
AN UNFORESEEN
YET DEVASTATING
SITUATION CAME
TO LIGHT AFTER
RUNNING A
SIMULATED
FORECAST WITH
"TREE DIAGRAM."

Clone
10,000,000v

Rail Gun
1,000,000,000v over

ON AVERAGE,
A "SISTER'S"
SPEC IS ON PAR
WITH THAT OF A
LEVEL 2. EVEN THE
STRONGEST OF
SUCH CLONES
COULD NEVER
SURPASS THE
ABILITIES OF A
LEVEL 3.

THE SPECS OF
THE "SISTERS"
DO NOT REACH
EVEN 1% OF
THOSE OF THE
ORIGINAL
SUBJECT, THE
"RAILGUN."

IF THEY
COULD
ONLY
CREATE
LEVEL 2s,
THEN IT
WOULDN'T
BE WORTH
THE
EFFORT.

THEY
WERE
ONLY ABLE
TO CREATE
WEAKER
VERSIONS
OF ME?

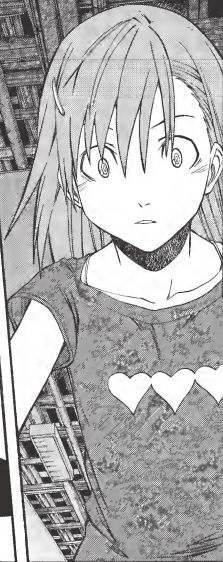
THE
COMMITTEE
ORDERED
US TO
IMMEDIATELY
HALT OUR
RESEARCH.

HAVING RECEIVED
THIS FORECAST,
IN ORDER TO
MINIMIZE ANY
FURTHER
EXPENSES WITH
THIS
PARTICULAR
PROJECT...

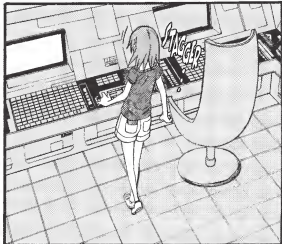
DESPITE
THE DNA
MANIPULATION
AND
IMPLANTATION
OF ACQUIRED
KNOWLEDGE,
IT WAS DEEMED
IMPOSSIBLE TO
CREATE A LEVEL
5 OUT OF A
CLONE'S BODY.



OUR RESEARCH
TEAM WAS
SLOWLY
DISBANDED,
WHILE ANY AND
ALL DATA, IN
ACCORDANCE
WITH
ESTABLISHED
PROTOCOL...



THE RAILGUN
MASS
PRODUCTION
PLAN,
"SISTERS,"
WAS
CANCELLED
AND FROZEN
INDEFINITELY.





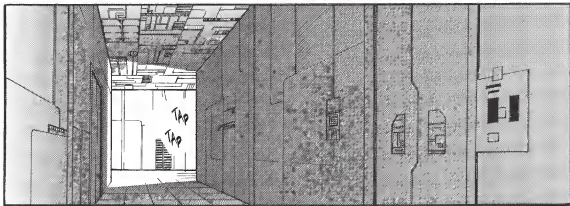
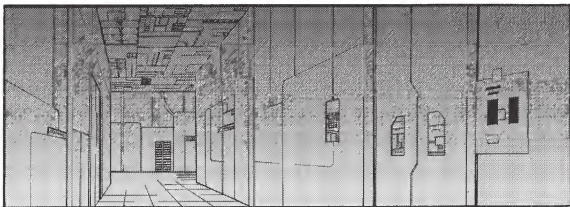
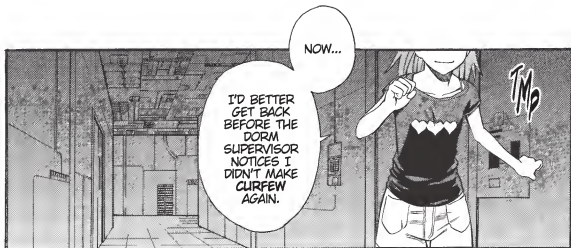
I'M SURE THAT SILLY RUMOR TOOK ON A LIFE OF ITS OWN AFTER SOMEONE LEAKED A FEW DETAILS ABOUT THIS INSANE PROJECT.

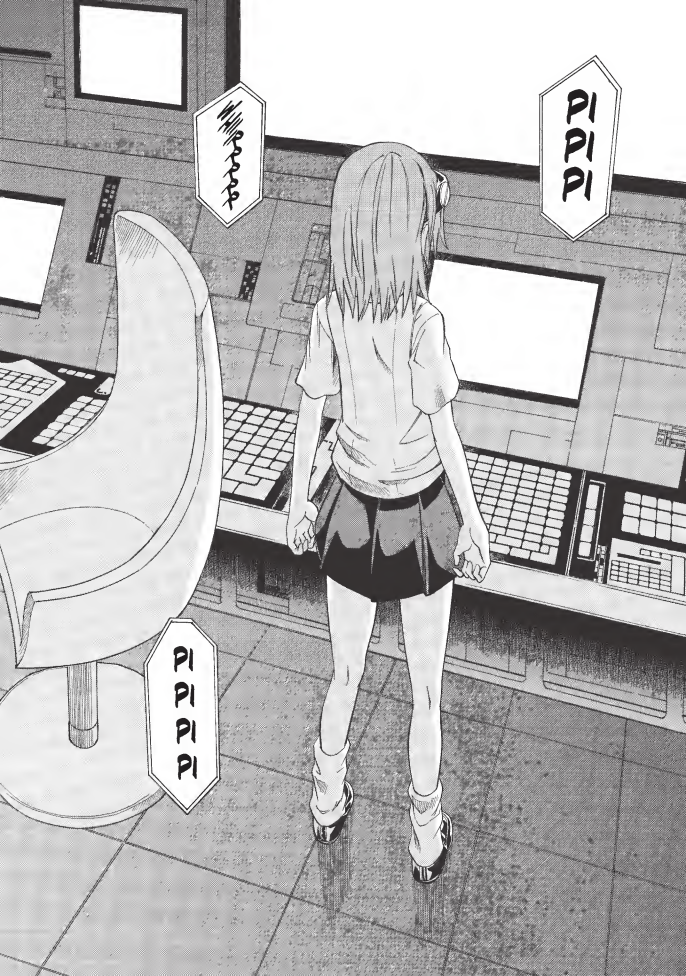
YUP THAT'S GOTTA BE IT.



TO THINK THAT THE DNA MAP I GAVE THEM...

BUT IT DID GIVE ME THE CHILLS FOR A SECOND THERE.





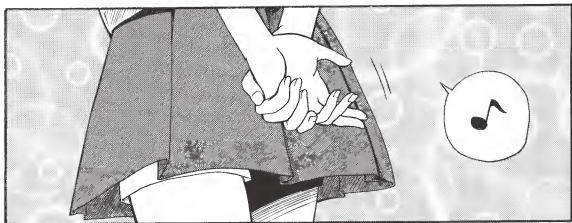
PI PI PI

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PI



CHAPTER 20: AUGUST 11





BUT IT
WOULDN'T
BE SUMMER
IF IT WASN'T
SO NICE
AND HOT!

I DON'T
WANNA
GET SUN-
BURNED...



CHIRR

CHIRR

CHIRR

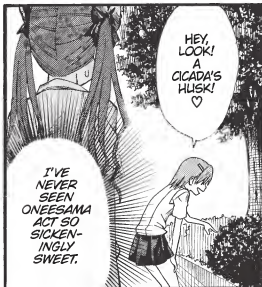


KUROKO.

AH,
YES?

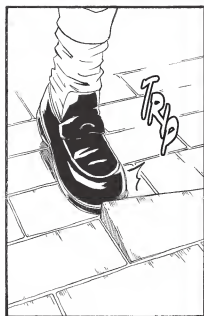


UNTIL A FEW
DAYS AGO,
SHE WAS
CONSTANTLY
DISTRACTED.
BUT NOW...



HEY,
LOOK!
A
OCADA'S
HUSK!
♡

I'VE
NEVER
SEEN
ONEESAMA
ACT SO
SICKEN-
INGLY
SWEET.



I-I-I'M SO SORRY!
I WASN'T
THINKING ANY ILLICIT
THOUGHTS ABOUT
WANTING TO JUMP
INTO YOUR ARMS,
ONEESAMA! MY FOOT
WAS MERELY CAUGHT
BY A PROTRUSION IN
THE GROUND,
AND I TRIPPED,
AND--!

WHOA!

POFF

WUMP

WSH

EH?

POKE

I KNOW
THAT.
JUST BE
CAREFUL
FROM
NOW ON,
SILLY!

AHA
HA
HA...

S...

FLUFF

GOSH,
ISN'T THE
BREEZE
JUST
LOVELY
ON A
DAY LIKE
THIS?

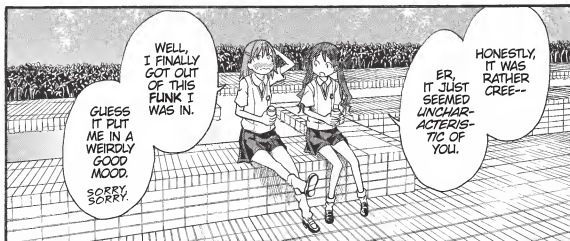
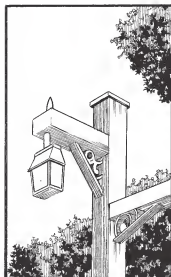


*That's nearly 17 fl oz. Your average soda can is only 12!



AN IMPOSTER?!







IT'S
FINE.
DON'T
WORRY
ABOUT
IT.

AH
?!

NO, NO!
IT HAD
NOTHING
TO DO
WITH
THOSE
RUMORS!!



AHA
HA
HA
HA...

YEAH,
THAT
WOULD
BE
WEIRD.

HEY, WHAT
WOULD
YOU DO IF
A KUROKO
CLONE
SUDDENLY
SHOWED
UP?

ALL THAT
CLONE
STUFF
SOUNDED
LIKE SOME
LAME
SCI-FI
MOVIE.



OR I'D
HAVE
HER
DEAL
WITH
ANY
LEC-
TURES
FROM
SEMPAI
IN MY
STEAD.

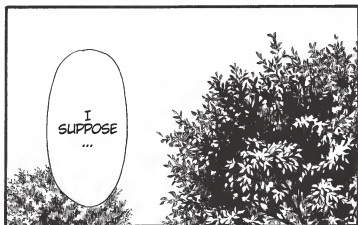
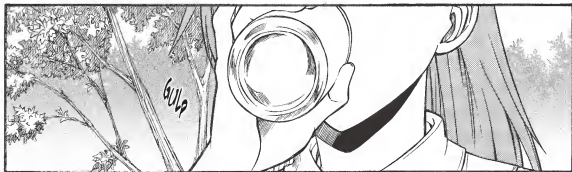
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THERE
YOU
ARE.

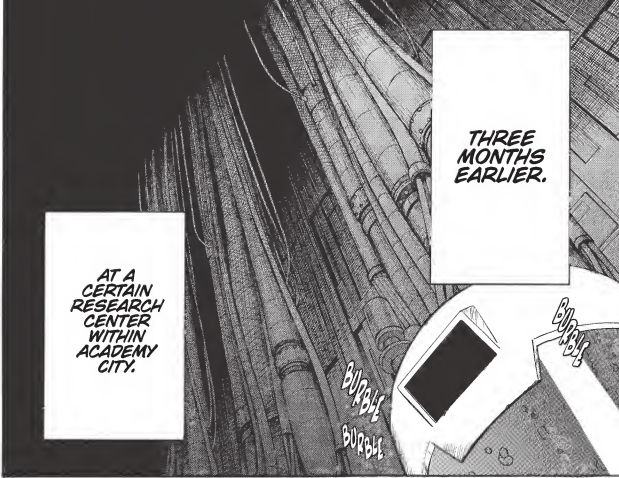
SALUTE

IF I WAS
GOING TO
BE LATE
COMING
HOME,
I WOULD
LEAVE
HER
BEHIND
TO FOOL
THE DORM
SUPER-
VISOR.

BUT A
CLONE
MIGHT
COME IN
HANDY,
IN CERTAIN
SITUATIONS.







THREE MONTHS EARLIER.

AT A CERTAIN RESEARCH CENTER WITHIN ACADEMY CITY.

BURBLE
BURBLE

Bye!

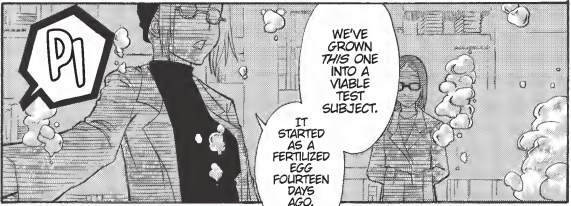


I WOULD APPRECIATE THAT.

WHY DON'T I GO OVER THIS FOR FUTURE REFERENCE?

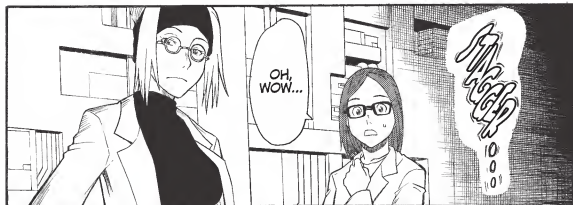
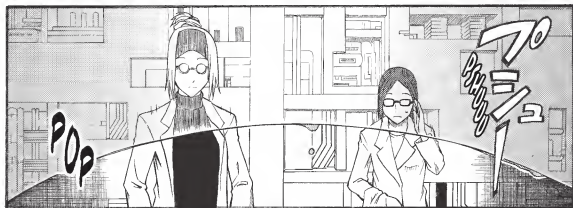
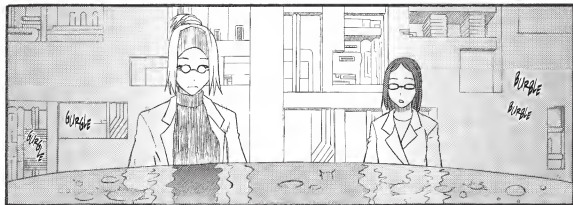
ALL RIGHT.

P1



WE'VE GROWN THIS ONE INTO A VIABLE TEST SUBJECT.

IT STARTED AS A FERTILIZED EGG FOURTEEN DAYS AGO.





FWEE...

A CLONE
SHOULD
LOOK
LIKE THE
REAL
THING.

SH

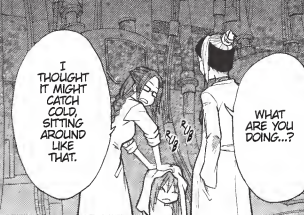


BUT AS YOU
CAN SEE,
ITS CURRENT
MENTAL
AGE IS ON
PAR WITH
THAT OF A
NEWBORN.

IT
DOESN'T
UNDERSTAND
WORDS
AND CAN'T
WALK ON
ITS OWN.

WAAAAH





I
THOUGHT
IT MIGHT
CATCH
COLD,
SITTING
AROUND
LIKE
THAT.

WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING...?

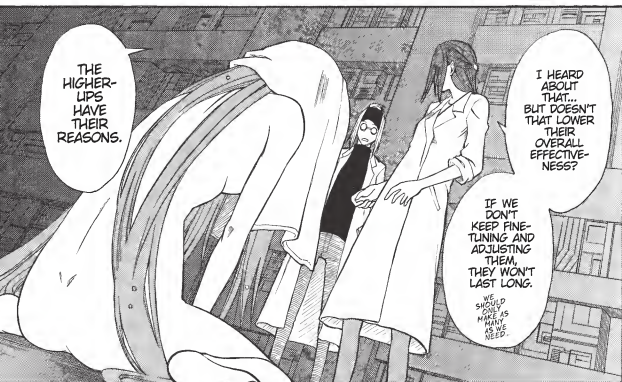


KERUFUFU



FROM
WHAT I'VE
HEARD,
WE'RE
GOING TO
MAKE
THEM ALL
AT ONCE.

WE DON'T
HAVE TIME
TO DO
THAT FOR
EVERY DAMN
ONE.

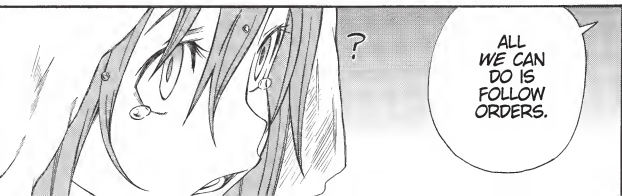


THE
HIGHER-UPS
HAVE
THEIR
REASONS.

I HEARD
ABOUT
THAT...
BUT DOESN'T
THAT LOWER
THEIR
OVERALL
EFFECTIVE-
NESS?

IF WE
DON'T
KEEP FINE-
TUNING AND
ADJUSTING
THEM,
THEY WON'T
LAST LONG.

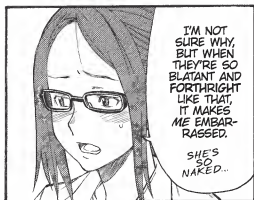
WE
SHOULD
ONLY
MAKE AS
MANY
AS WE
NEED.



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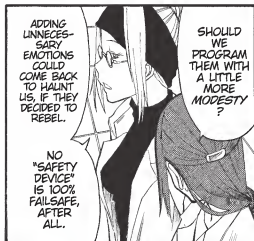
ALL
WE CAN
DO IS
FOLLOW
ORDERS.





I'M NOT SURE WHY, BUT WHEN THEY'RE SO BLATANT AND FORTHRIGHT LIKE THAT, IT MAKES ME EMBARRASSED.

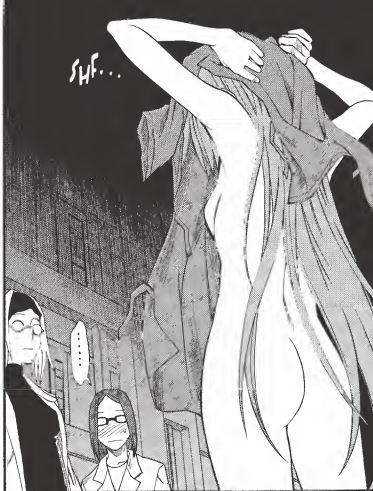
SHE'S SO NAKED...



ADDING UNNECESSARY EMOTIONS COULD COME BACK TO HAUNT US, IF THEY DECIDED TO REBEL.

NO "SAFETY DEVICE" IS 100% FAILSAFE, AFTER ALL.

SHOULD WE PROGRAM THEM WITH A LITTLE MORE MODESTY?

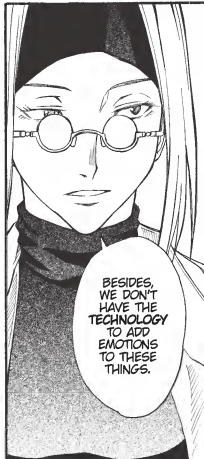


SHE...



SOME GIRL GENIUS NAMED NUNO-SOMETHING WAS MANAGING THE "TESTAMENT" PROGRAMMING. WE JUST HANDLE THE REST.

I SEE...



BESIDES, WE DON'T HAVE THE TECHNOLOGY TO ADD EMOTIONS TO THESE THINGS.





I
BROUGHT
SOME
MILK TEA
FROM
HOME.



OH,
IF
WE'RE
DOING
THAT...

WHY
DON'T
WE TAKE
A LITTLE
BREAK
THEN,
HM?

YOU
WANT
COFFEE
OR
SOMETHING?



SO I
WENT AND
SPLURGED
ON SOME!

I TRIED
IT AT A
SPECIALTY
TEA STORE,
AND IT
WAS
REALLY
DELICIOUS...

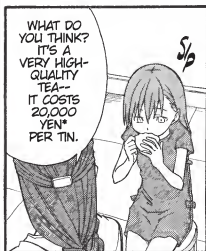


IT
TASTES
HOR-
RIBLE.

WHAT
?!

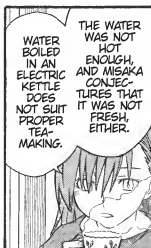


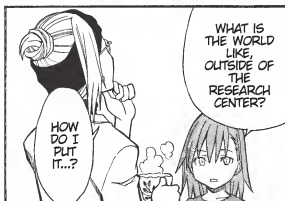
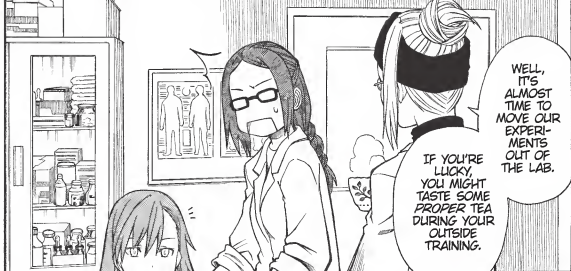
HERE'S
A CUP
FOR YOU,
TOO, AS
A SPECIAL
TREAT.



WHAT DO
YOU THINK?
IT'S A
VERY HIGH-
QUALITY
TEA--
IT COSTS
20,000
YEN*
PER TIN.

*That's a whopping \$250 a tin!!





WE'LL
ALSO BE
TESTING
YOUR
INTER-
PERSONAL
SKILLS FOR
WHEN YOU
VENTURE
OUTSIDE.

MISAKA
SHALL
ACQUIRE
NEWFOUND
KNOWLEDGE
OF THE
WORLD WITH
A SENSE OF
WONDERMENT.

MISAKA IS ALREADY
CONFIDENT OF HER
ABILITY TO BLEND
IN WITH HUMAN
BEINGS FROM THE
OUTSIDE WORLD.
MISAKA QUESTIONS
THE NECESSITY OF
SUCH A TEST.

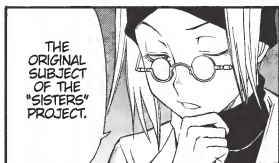
IF IT
GOES
OUTSIDE,
IT MAY
ENCOUNTER
THE
ORIGINAL.

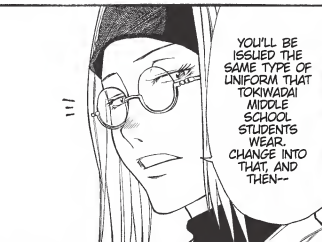
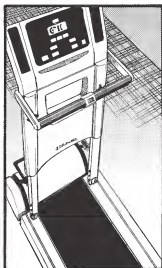
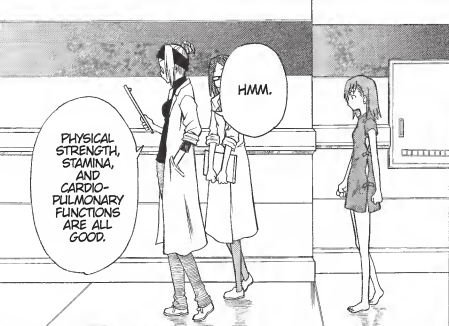
I
WONDER
WHY ITS
KNOWLEDGE
IS SO
BIASED.

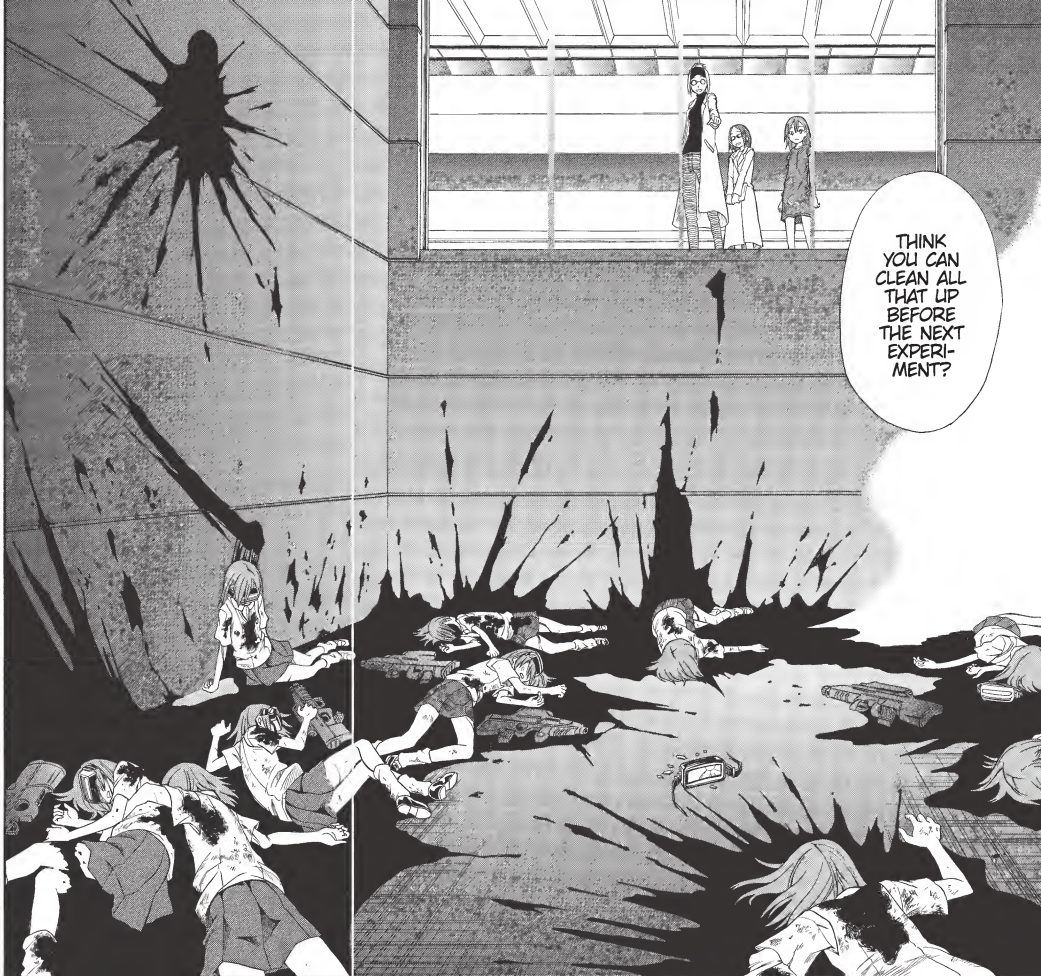
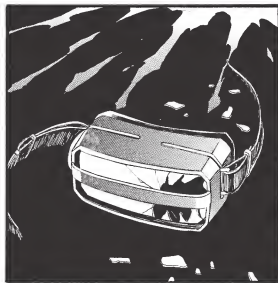
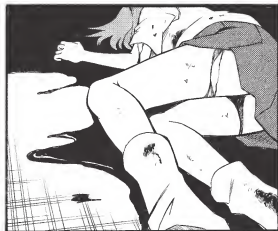
HMPH.

MISAKA IS
WELL-VERSED
IN A VARIETY
OF TOPICS,
FROM HOW
TO ORDER A
HAMBURGER
TO TURNING
DOWN AN
UNSCRUPULOUS
SALESMAN...

THUS
MISAKA
EXTOLS
HER OWN
VIRTUES.







THINK
YOU CAN
CLEAN ALL
THAT UP
BEFORE
THE NEXT
EXPERI-
MENT?



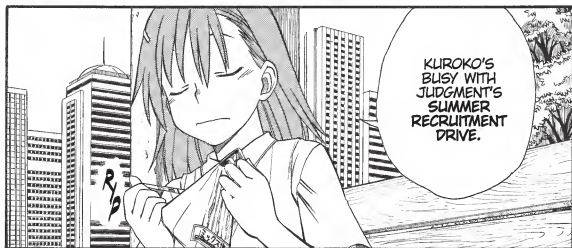
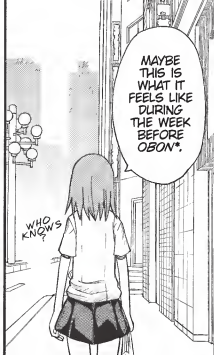
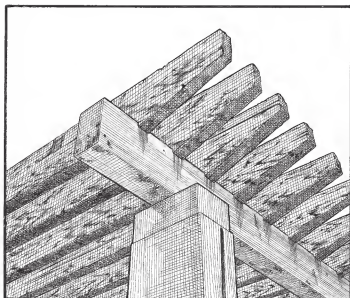
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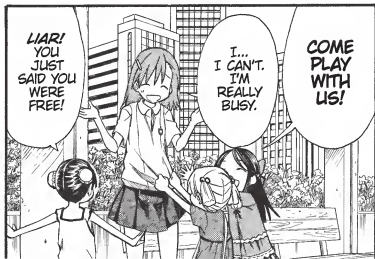
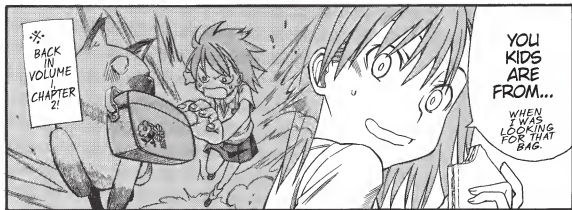


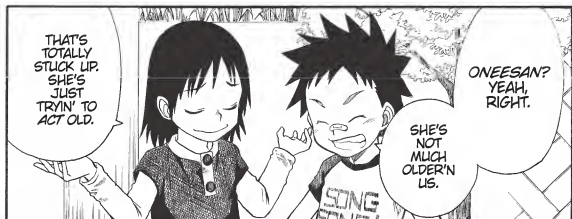


BUT IT
WAS SO
SHORT.
AND AFTER
LAST WEEK
WAS A
DOUBLE
ISSUE!

I WAS
REALLY
LOOKING
FORWARD
TO READING
THE LATEST
ISSUE...















YOU KNOW, LIKE TALKING WITH ELECTRICITY.

TESTING. TESTING.

OH.



I DOUBT IT. I PROBABLY COULDN'T EVEN FIND HIS LOCATION THAT WAY.



WHEN NAO-KUN GETS BETTER, DO YOU THINK HE CAN CALL YOU?

CALL ME?

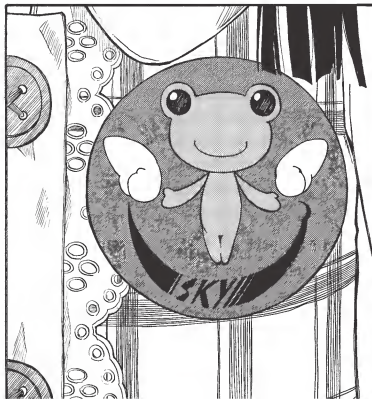
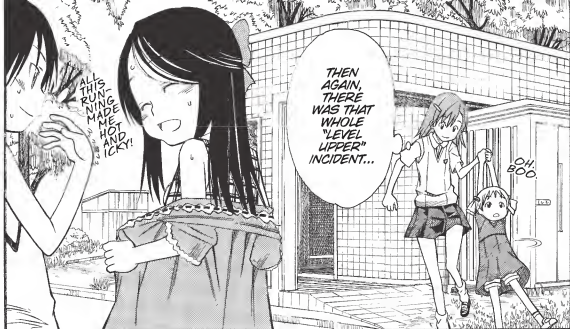


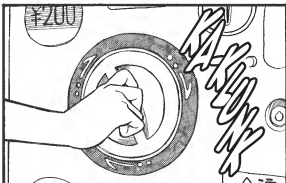
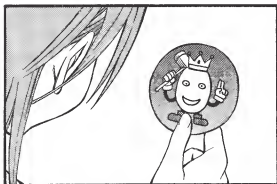
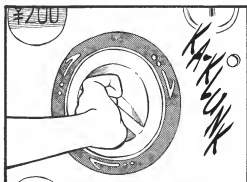
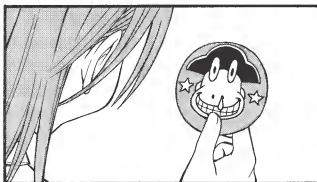
BUT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE CITY, WITH ELECTRO-MAGNETIC WAVES EVERYWHERE, THERE'S NOT MUCH CHANCE OF THAT.

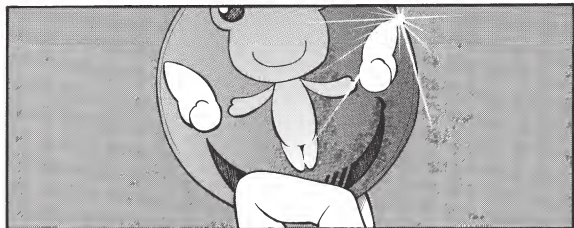
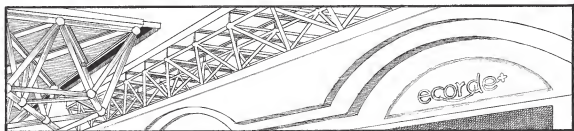
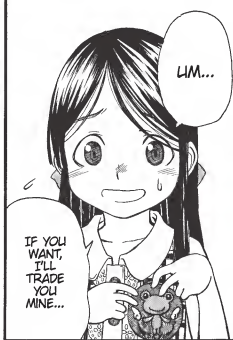


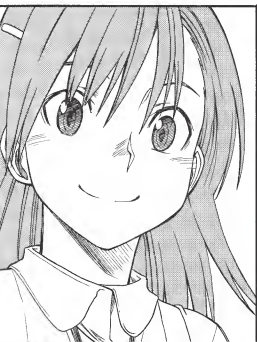
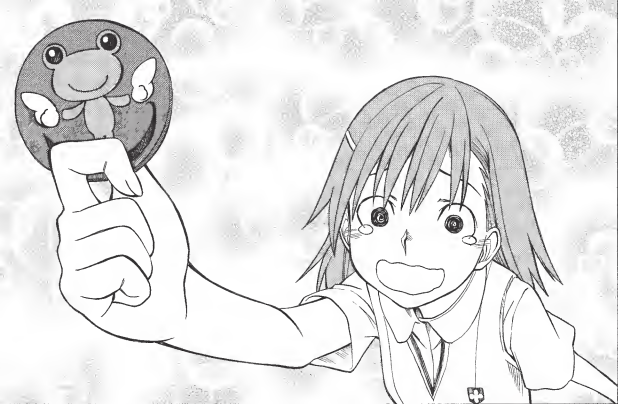
OH, I FELT A LITTLE SHOCK THERE

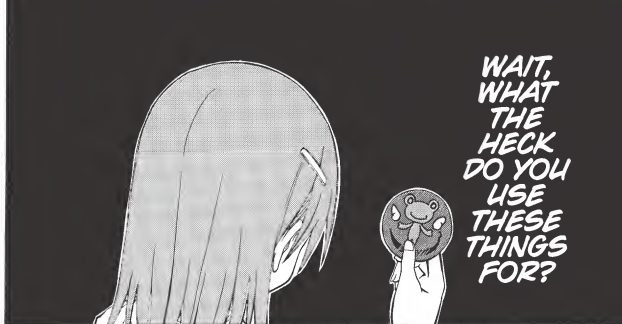
IF THERE WAS ABSOLUTELY NOTHING BETWEEN US, MAYBE I COULD FEEL HIS POWER.











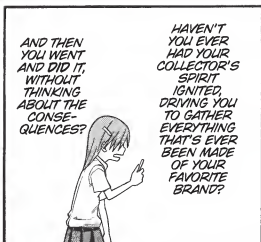
WAIT,
WHAT
THE
HECK
DO YOU
USE
THESE
THINGS
FOR?



EVEN
I KNOW
I CAN'T
WEAR
SOME-
THING
LIKE THIS
ON MY
SHIRT.

WORSE,
I CAN
ALREADY
FEEL
KUIROKO'S
EYES
DRILLING
INTO ME.

AGAIN?
REALLY?



AND THEN
YOU WENT
AND DID IT,
WITHOUT
THINKING
ABOUT THE
CONSE-
QUENCES?

HAVEN'T
YOU EVER
HAD YOUR
COLLECTOR'S
SPIRIT
IGNITED,
DRIVING YOU
TO GATHER
EVERYTHING
THAT'S EVER
BEEN MADE
OF YOUR
FAVORITE
BRAND?



WELL,
THE SUN
GOES
DOWN A
LOT LATER
IN THE
SUMMER.

IT'S
STILL SO
BRIGHT
OUTSIDE.

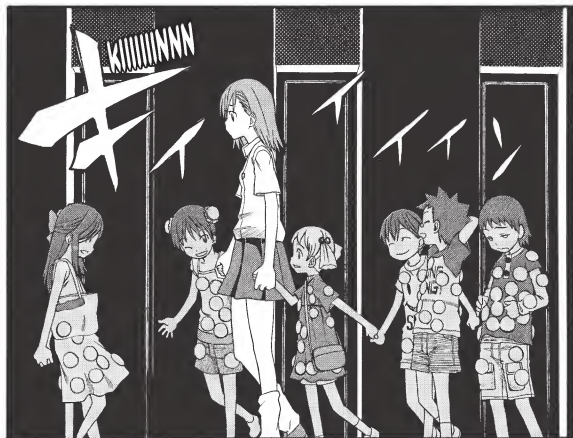


OH,
IT'S
TIME
TO GO
HOME.

WAIT,
IT MIGHT
BE
OKAY
TO PUT
IT ON
MY
BAG...



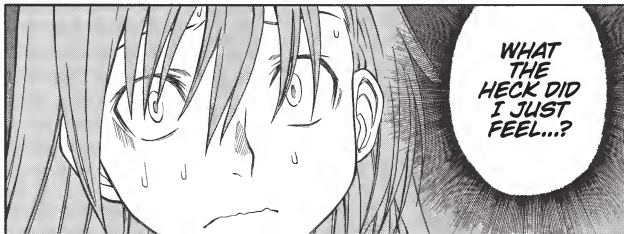
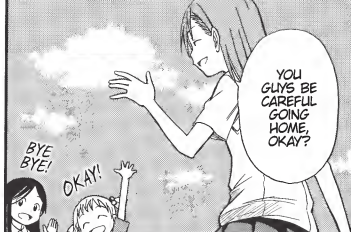
WHEN
I WAS
YOUR
AGE...



HUH?
UH...
N-
NOTHING.



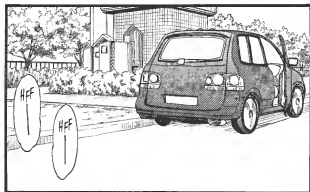
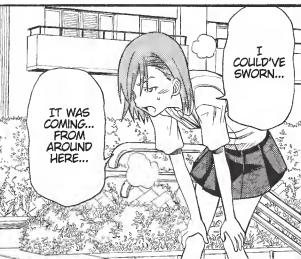
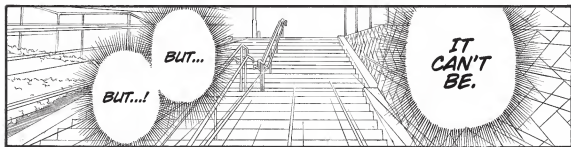
SOME-
THING
WRONG,
ONEE-
CHAN?

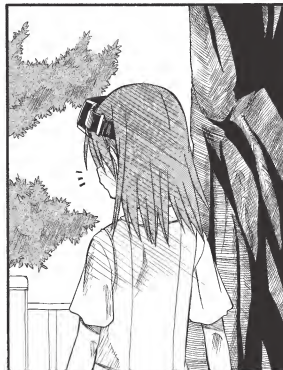
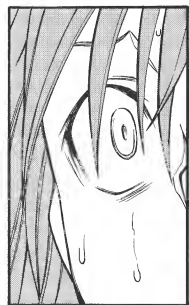
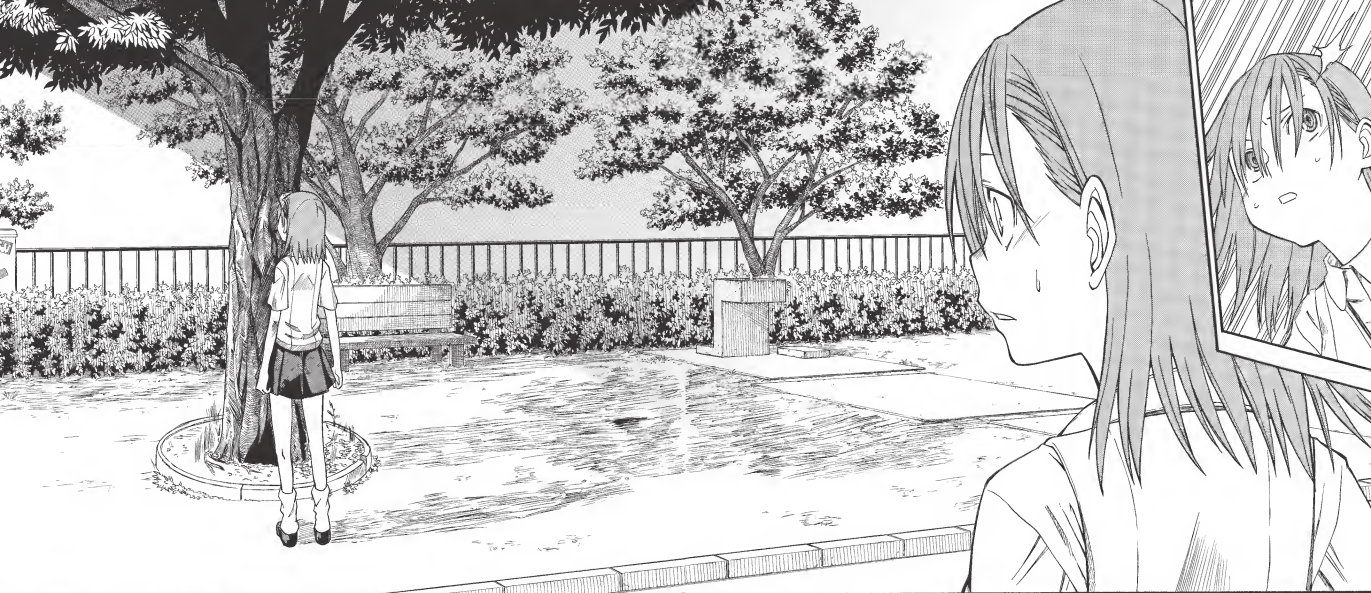




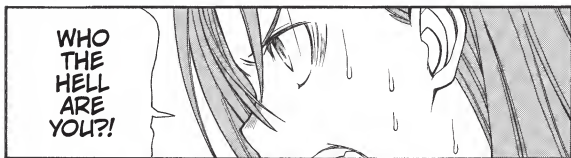
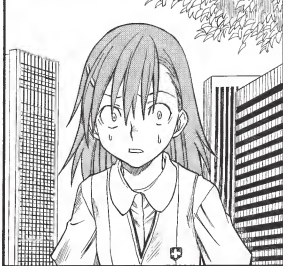
IT
WAS A
POWER
LIKE
MINE.
NO...

IT WAS
LIKE FEELING
MY OWN
POWER
EMITTING
AND
WASHING
BACK OVER
ME--FROM
THE
OUTSIDE.

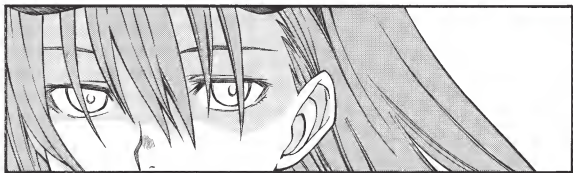
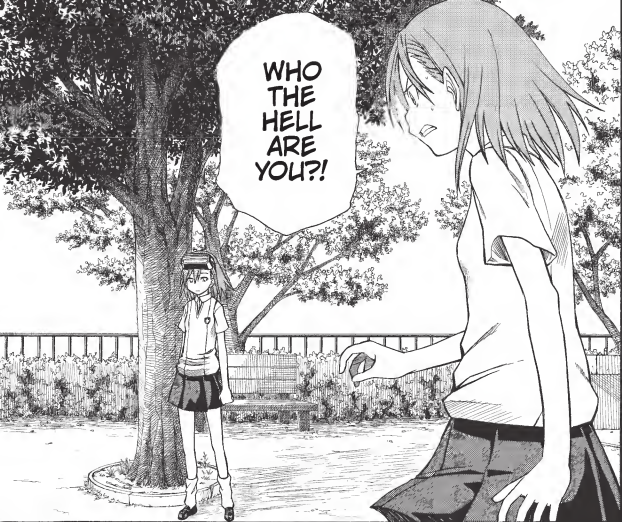


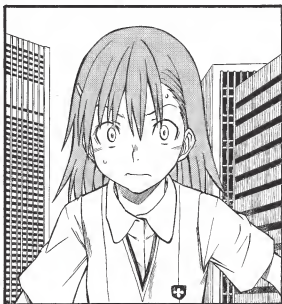
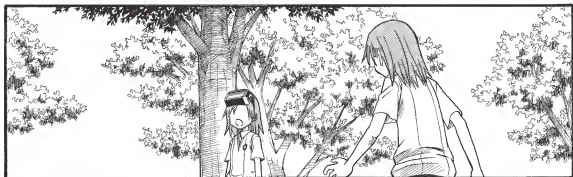






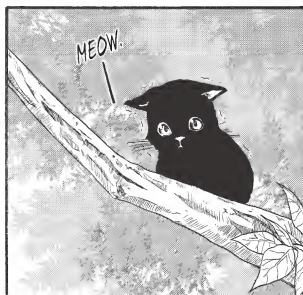
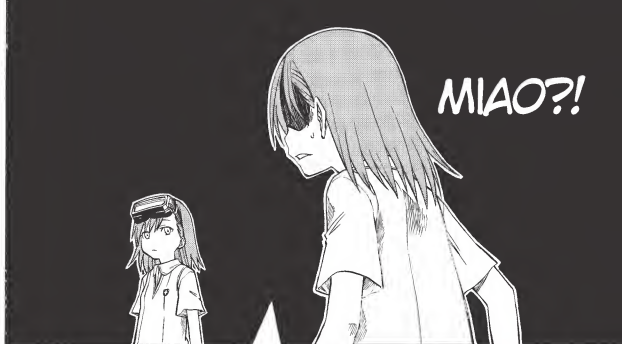
A Certain
SCIENTIFIC
Railgun

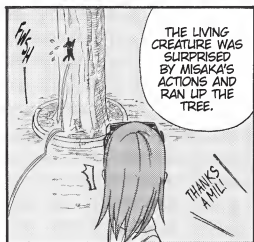
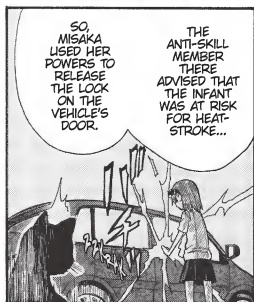
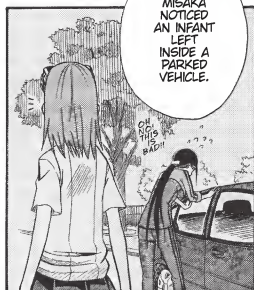


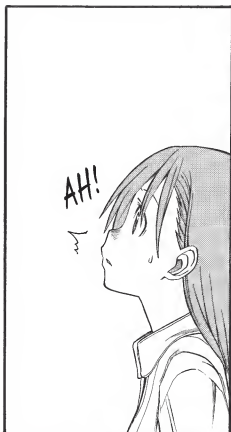




CHAPTER 22: AUGUST 15 (2)







MISAKA
HAS
CAREFULLY
RECOLLECTED
THE
CHRONOLOGY
OF
EVENTS.



YOU DIDN'T ANSWER
MY QUESTION!
WHO THE HECK
ARE YOU?!



IT WOULD NOT HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH YOU, EVEN IF IT SUSTAINED SERIOUS INJURIES THAT LED TO THE TERMINATION OF ITS VITAL ACTIVITIES.



WHAT YOU'RE SAYING, ONEESAMA, IS THAT YOU WOULD NOT CARE IF THE CREATURE DASHED ITSELF AGAINST THE GROUND.



IT'S SMALL, BUT IT'S STILL A CAT! IT'LL BE FINE IF IT DROPS DOWN FROM THERE! MORE IMPORTANTLY--

ARE YOU SURE WE SHOULD NOT RESCUE IT?

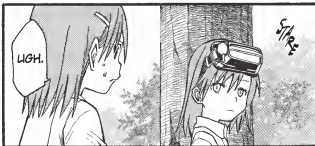


MISAKA UNDERSTANDS.

FINE... WHAT DO YOU SUGGEST WE DO?



LIGH.



I DON'T SEE ANYTHING AROUND HERE WE COULD STAND ON...

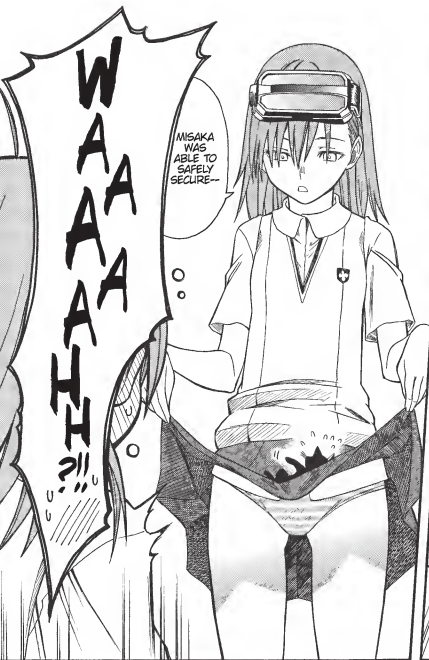


MISAKA PROPOSES THIS.

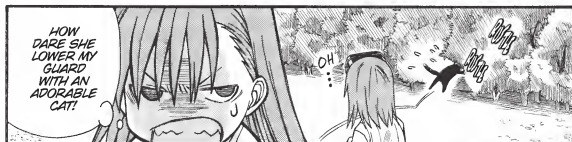


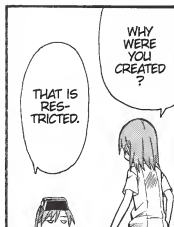
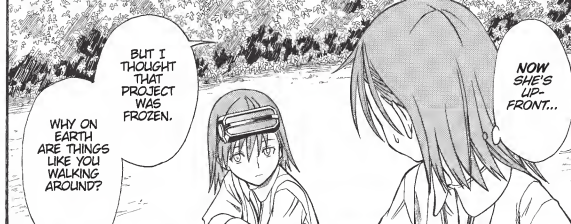
IF WE ADOPT THE FOLLOWING POSITION, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO REACH THE CREATURE.



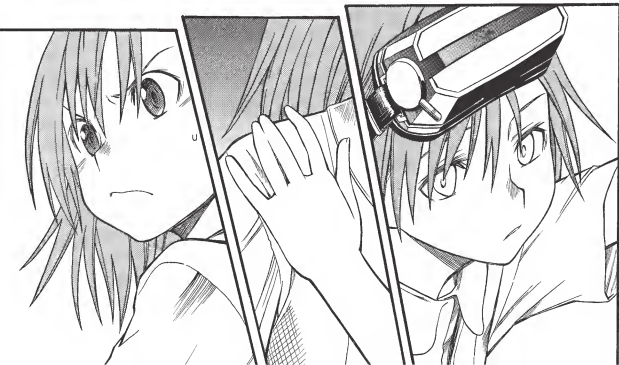


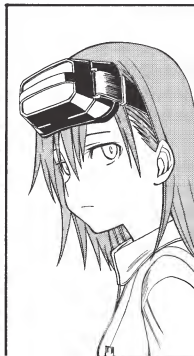
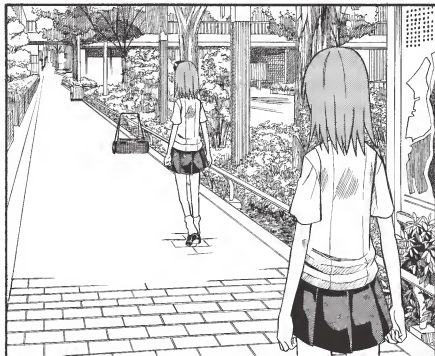






DO YOU
WANT
TO GET
HURT?
I COULD
FORCE
YOU TO
TELL ME.







I
WOULDN'T
HAVE
BELIEVED IT
IF I HADN'T
SEEN ONE
RIGHT IN
FRONT
OF ME.

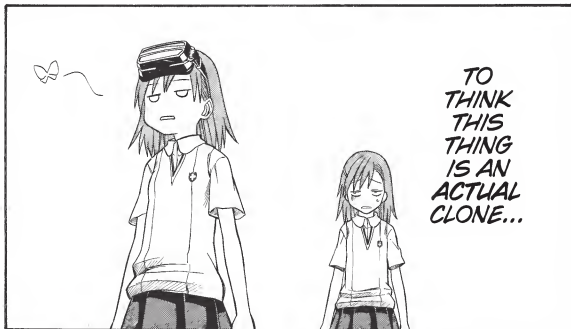
"SISTERS"
...



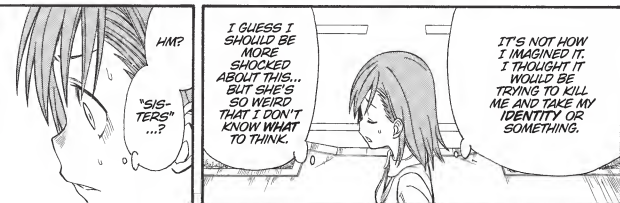
BUT...

I WAS
ALWAYS
AFRAID
THAT A
LOOK-ALIKE
CLONE
WOULD SHOW
UP ONE DAY.

EVEN
THOUGH I'D
TOTALLY
REJECTED
IT AS A
STUPID
RUMOR...



TO
THINK
THIS
THING
IS AN
ACTUAL
CLONE...



HMP?

"SIS-
TERS"
...?

I GUESS I
SHOULD BE
MORE
SHOCKED
ABOUT THIS...
BUT SHE'S
SO WEIRD
THAT I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
TO THINK.

IT'S NOT HOW
I IMAGINED IT.
I THOUGHT IT
WOULD BE
TRYING TO KILL
ME AND TAKE MY
IDENTITY OR
SOMETHING.



AND
STOP
SAYING
STUPID
CRAP
LIKE
THAT
OUT
LOUD!

KITTEN...
KONEKO
(コネコ)...
IT'S THE
SAME
IF YOU
READ
IT
RIGHT-
TO-
LEFT
OR
LEFT-
TO-
RIGHT.
HEE.



W-
WAIT A
SECOND
!



WHAT'S THAT?

RWAR! RWAR!





SHE'S
NOT
MY
SISTER
!!

HEY,
YOU
TWO...

SISTERS
SHOULDN'T
FIGHT.

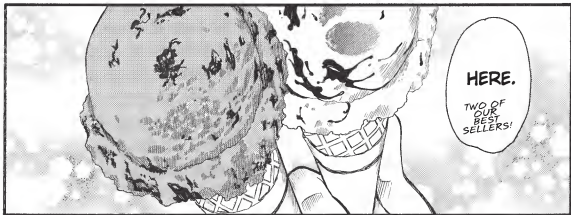


HOLD
ON A
SEC.

?



NOW,
NOW. YOU
SHOULD
NEVER
SAY STUFF
LIKE THAT,
EVEN AS
A JOKE.



HERE.

TWO OF
OUR
BEST
SELLERS!



YOU
TRYING
TO
FORCE
HIS
TO
BUY
THESE?

WHAT
KIND OF
CREEP
DO YOU
TAKE ME
FOR?



THINK
THIS WILL
HELP YOU
MAKE UP?

ICE
CREAM?



LOOK, I APPRECIATE IT, BUT THIS ISN'T THE BEST TIME FOR ICE CR--

I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN YOU TWO...

BUT THEY SAY EATING SWEETS SOOTHES THE SOUL.

PAT



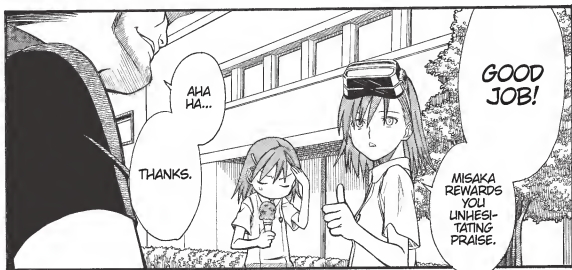
SO THEY'RE YOURS-- NO CHARGE.

I WAS ABOUT TO WASH OUT THE CASES, ANYWAY.



CHOMP
CHOMP

HMM. DENSE BUT NOT HEAVY, WITH A REFRESHINGLY SWEET AFTERTASTE... IT IS OBVIOUS THAT HIGH QUALITY MILK WAS USED. HOWEVER, THIS TEXTURE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT A FINE GRADE OF JAPANESE SUGAR AS WELL. AS FOR THE CONE, IT IS REMINISCENT OF THE CRISPY OUTSIDE CRUST OF A FRESHLY BAKED COOKIE.



AHA HA...

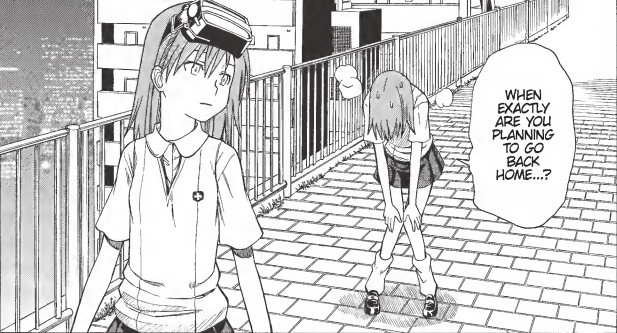
THANKS.

GOOD JOB!

MISAKA REWARDS YOU UNHESITATING PRAISE.









WHAT
SHOULD
I DO?

WOULD IT BE
FASTER FOR
ME TO JUST
DECRYPT THAT
PASSCODE
SHE GAVE ME
AND UNCOVER
THE INFOR-
MATION ON
MY OWN?

AH,
GOOD...
I HAVE
MY PDA
WITH
ME.

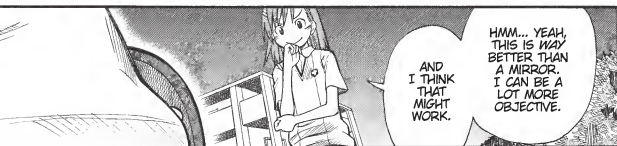


?
WHAT
IS
THAT?

WHOOOPS.
I GOT
THIS
IN MY
POCKET



JUST SOME
PRIZE I
WON OUT OF
A GACHA
GACHA
MACHINE...



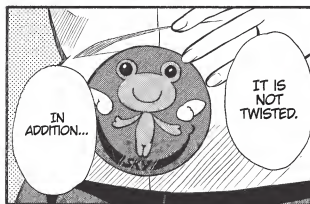
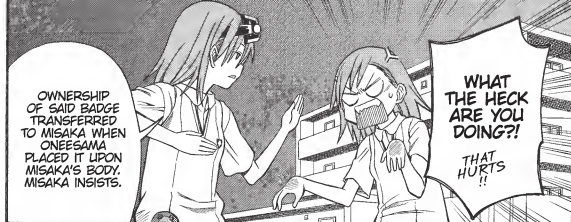


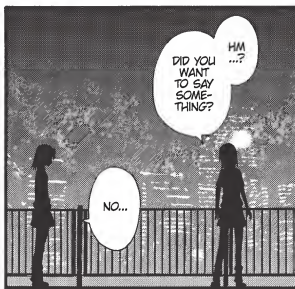
I-I WAS
JUST
KIDDING...

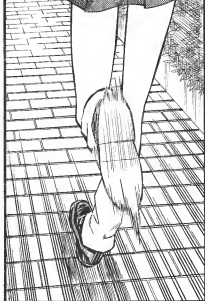
I ONLY
PUT IT
ON TO
SEE,
THAT'S
ALL.

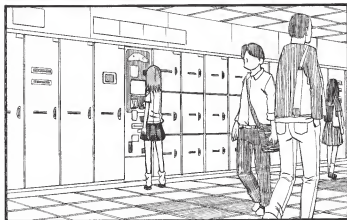
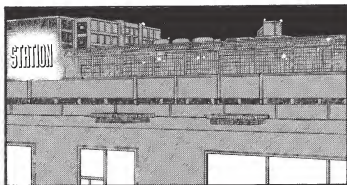
MY OWN
CLONE
TRASHING
MY
FASHION
SENSE...







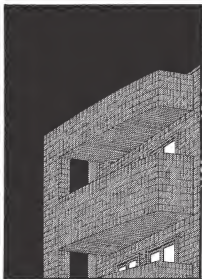


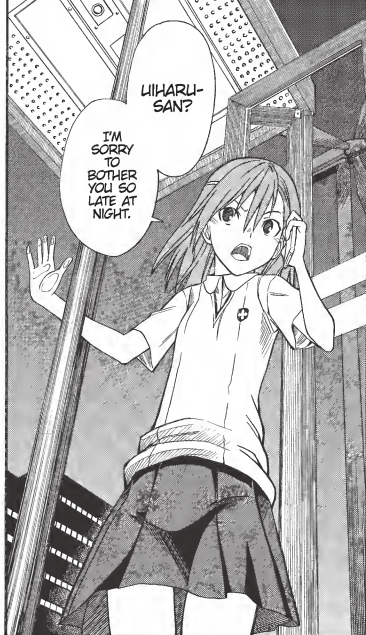


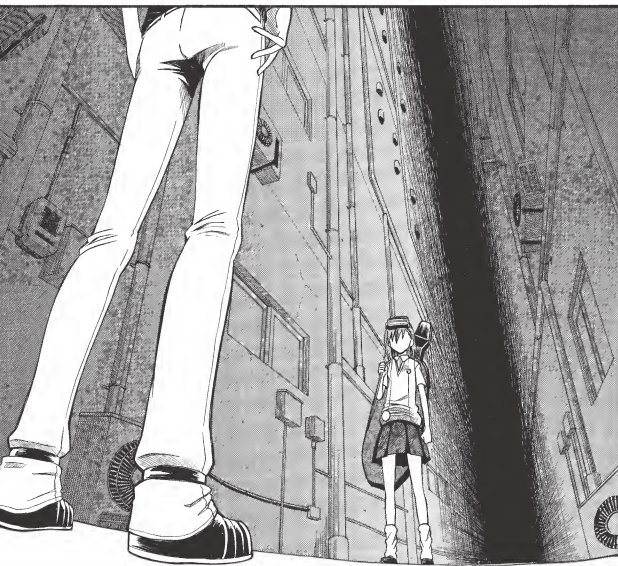
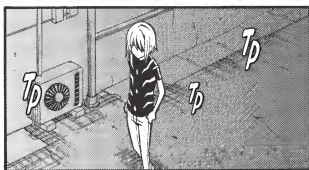
I NEED TO
FOCUS ON
FINDING
HER
CREATOR
AND
GETTING
SOME
ANSWERS!

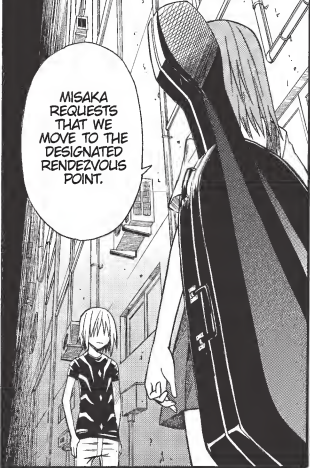
I'LL
FIGURE
OUT THE
REST
LATER.



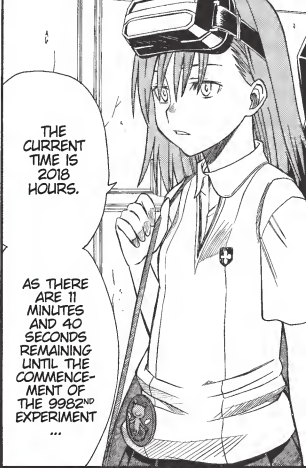






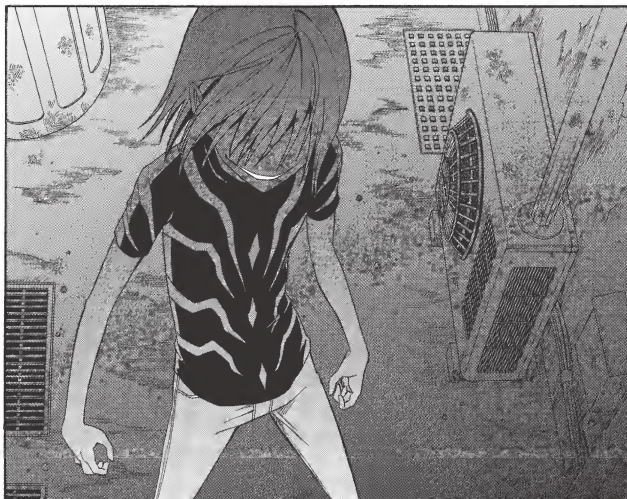


MISAKA
REQUESTS
THAT WE
MOVE TO THE
DESIGNATED
RENDEZVOUS
POINT.

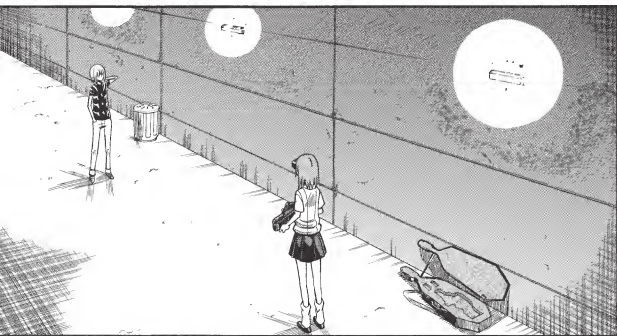
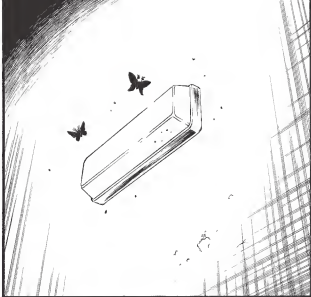
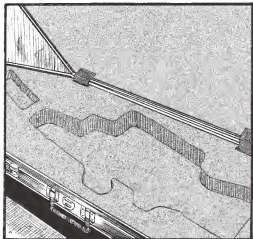


THE
CURRENT
TIME IS
2018
HOURS.

AS THERE
ARE 11
MINUTES
AND 40
SECONDS
REMAINING
UNTIL THE
COMMENCE-
MENT OF
THE 9982ND
EXPERIMENT
...

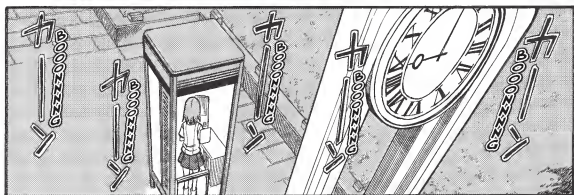


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COMMENCE
EXPERIMENT
9982.



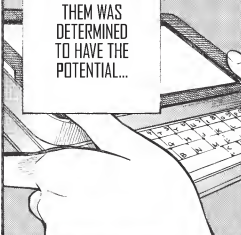
WHAT...

IS
THIS
...?

A Certain
SCIENTIFIC
Railgun

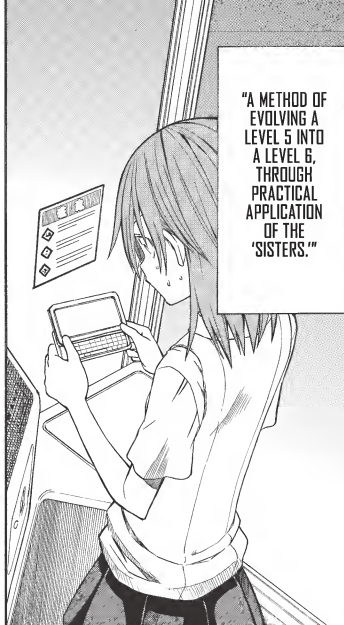


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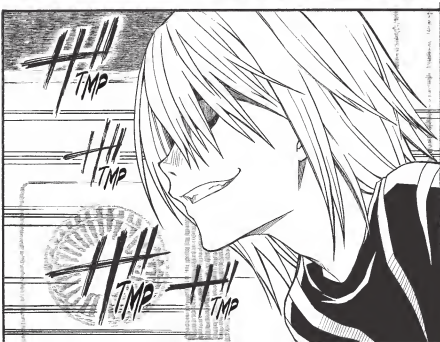


THERE ARE
SEVEN
LEVEL 5s
WITHIN
ACADEMY
CITY.

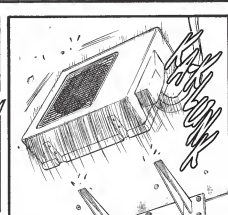
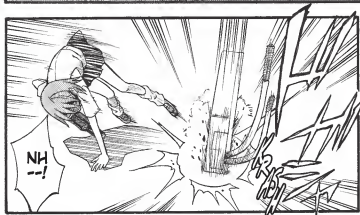
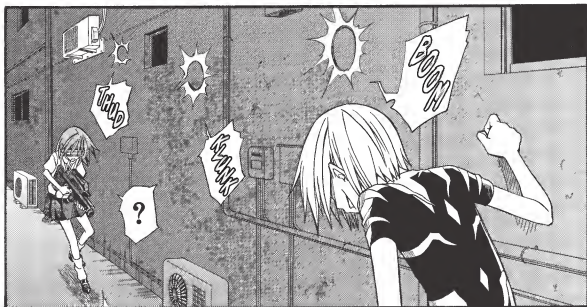
ACCORDING TO
SIMULATIONS
RUN BY
"TREE DIAGRAM,"
ONLY ONE OF
THEM WAS
DETERMINED
TO HAVE THE
POTENTIAL...



"A METHOD OF
EVOLVING A
LEVEL 5 INTO
A LEVEL 6,
THROUGH
PRACTICAL
APPLICATION
OF THE
'SISTERS.'"

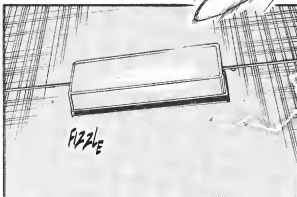
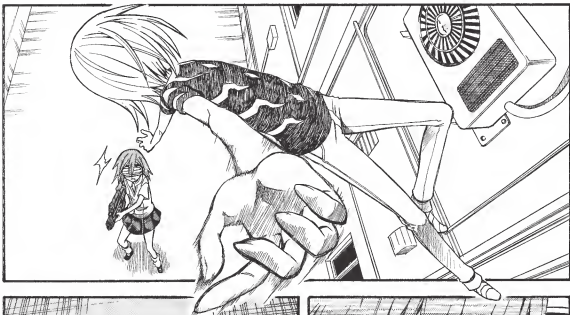
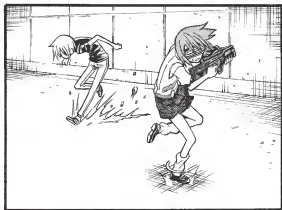
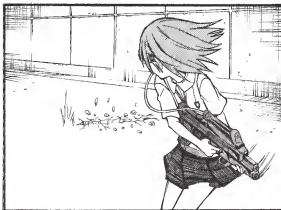


TO REACH
THE YET-
TO-BE-
SEEN
LEVEL 6.





IF THE SUBJECT
UNDERWENT
MERELY THE
REGULAR
"CURRICULUM,"
IT WOULD TAKE AN
ESTIMATED 250
YEARS TO REACH
LEVEL 6 STATUS.



WE HAVE
THEREFORE CHOSEN
TO PURSUE
ANOTHER METHOD,
UTILIZING LIVE
COMBAT TO
PROMOTE GROWTH
OF THE SUBJECT'S
ABILITIES.



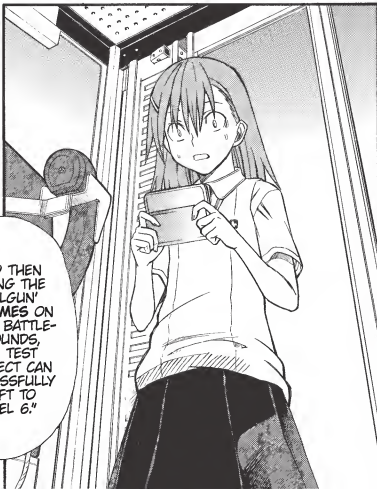
"WITH THIS
REVISED PLAN,
TREE DIAGRAM'S
SIMULATIONS
INDICATE THAT BY
PREPARING 128
DIFFERENT TYPES
OF BATTLE-
GROUNDS..."

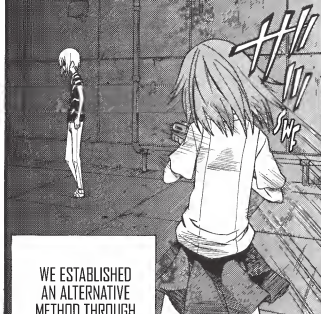


"BY PREPARING
SPECIFIC BATTLE-
GROUNDS AND
STAGING SET
COMBAT SCENARIOS,
WE CAN MANIPULATE
THE SUBJECT'S
GROWTH."



"AND THEN
KILLING THE
'RAILGUN'
128 TIMES ON
THESE BATTLE-
GROUNDS,
THE TEST
SUBJECT CAN
SUCCESSFULLY
SHIFT TO
LEVEL 6."

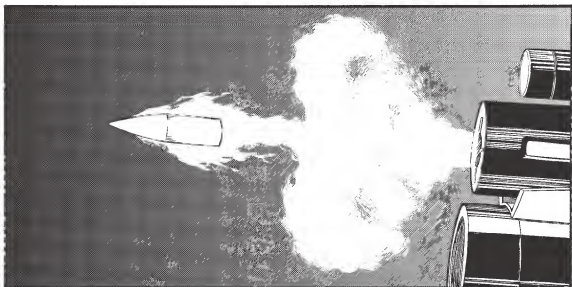


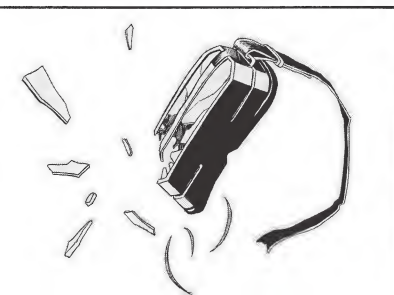
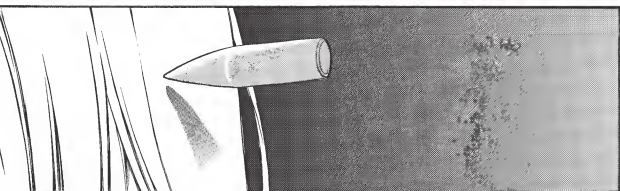
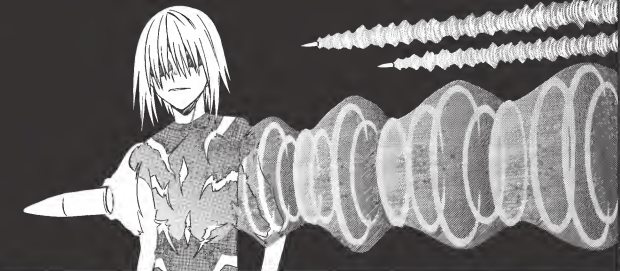


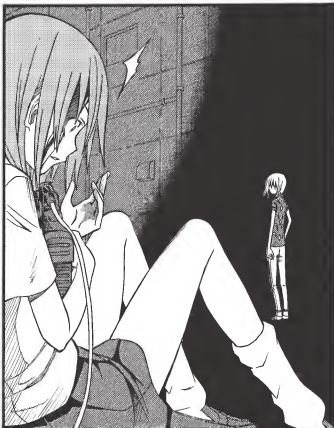
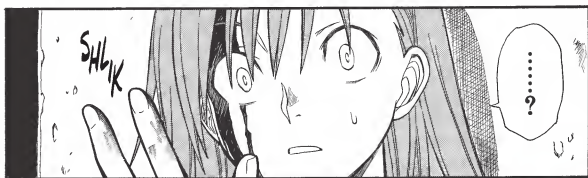
WE ESTABLISHED
AN ALTERNATIVE
METHOD THROUGH
THE "SISTERS"
FROM THE
PREVIOUSLY FROZEN
"RADIO NOISE
PROJECT."



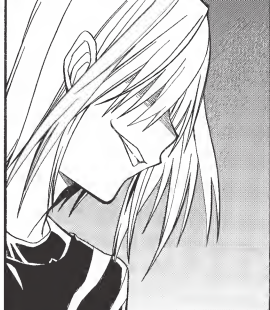
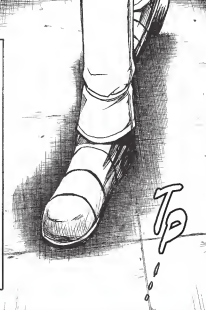
HOWEVER,
AS IT IS
IMPOSSIBLE
TO PROCURE
MULTIPLE
"RAILGUNS"...







BY UTILIZING A
LARGE NUMBER
OF HEAVILY
ARMED
"SISTERS"
AGAINST THE
SUBJECT, WE
CAN OVERCOME
THE DEFICIENCY
LEFT BY THEIR
LOWER SPECS.



WE CAN ACHIEVE A SHIFT TOWARDS LEVEL 6
THROUGH COMBAT WITH 20,000 "SISTERS."

KILLING ME,
THEN
KILLING MY
CLONES
INSTEAD OF
ME, THEN
ALL THIS
LEVEL 6
STUFF...



EXPERIMENT 9982

START TIME:
AUGUST 15. 21:00

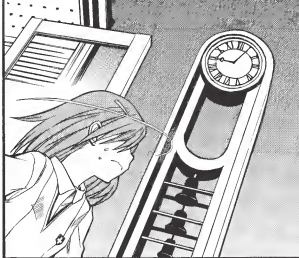
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THERE'S
NO WAY
THIS CAN
BE
REAL...

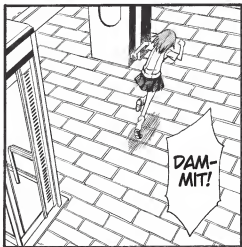
AHA
HA...
WHAT
THE
HECK IS
THIS?

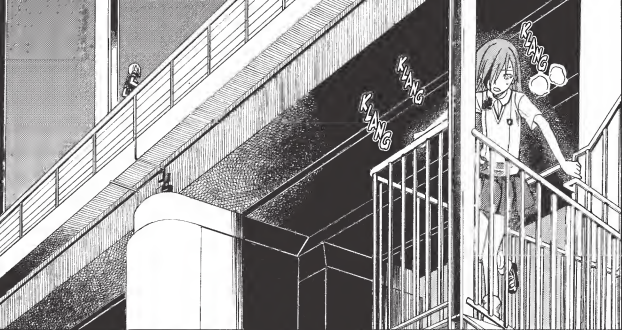
IT'S
TOO
CRAZY
TO BE A
JOKE.

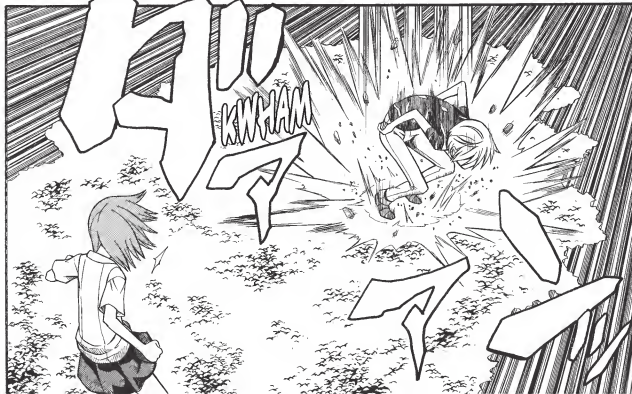
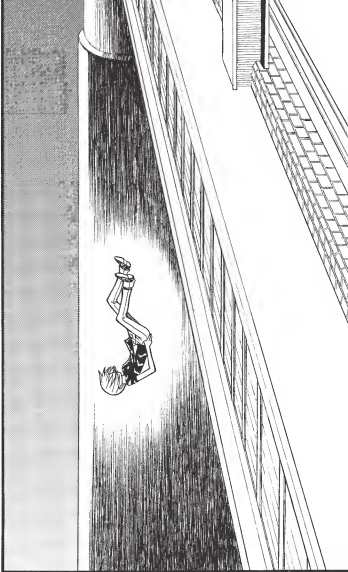
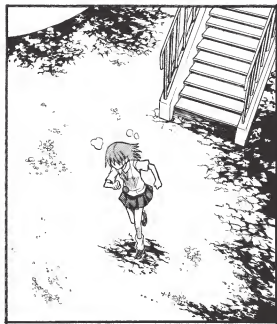


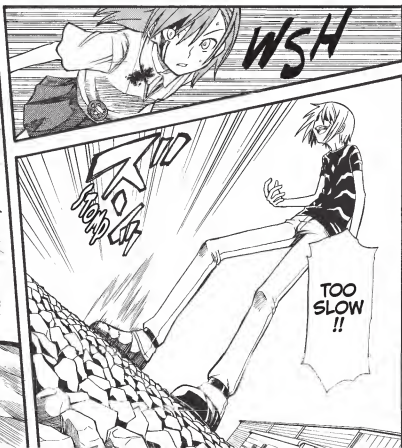


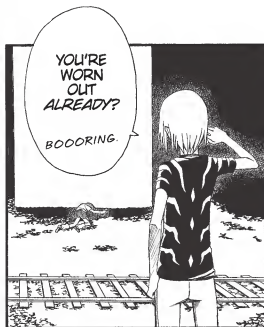
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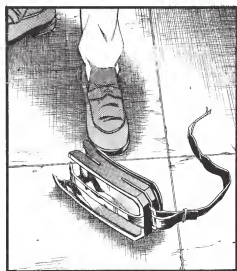
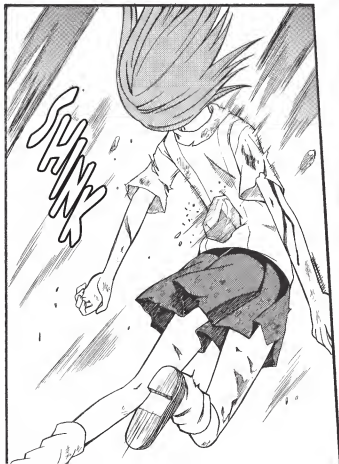
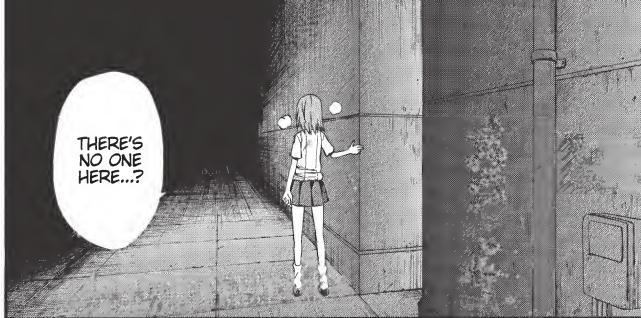


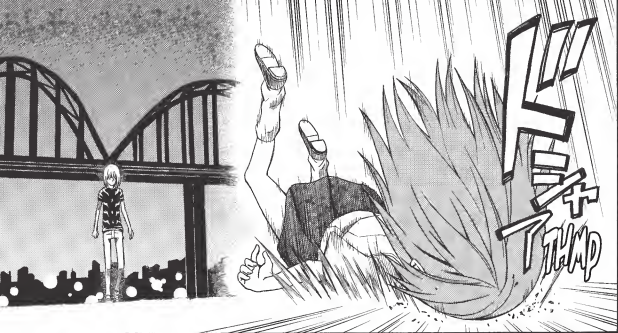












OR
DID YOU
JUST
DECIDE
TO GIVE
UP?



YOU
FINALLY
DONE
FOR?

WHAT'S
THE
MATTER,
HMP?



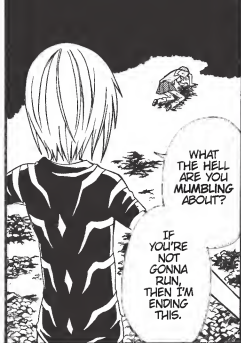
BASED ON THE
EXPERIMENTAL
DATA COLLECTED
UNTIL NOW,
MISAKA
SPECULATES...
THAT HE
THROWS
BARRIER-LIKE
OBJECTS
AROUND
HIMSELF.

HAS YET...
TO ACCU-
RATELY
GRASP THE
ABILITY OF
MISAKA'S
TARGET.

HOW-
EVER...

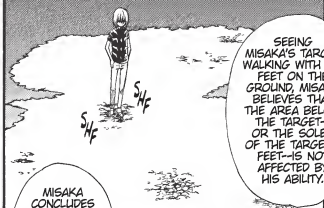


MISA...
KA...



WHAT
THE HELL
ARE YOU
MUMBLING
ABOUT?

IF
YOU'RE
NOT
GONNA
RUN,
THEN I'M
ENDING
THIS.



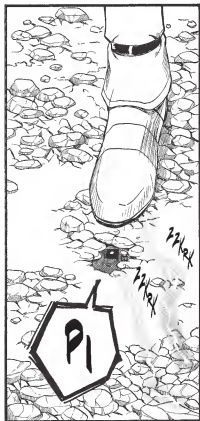
SEEING
MISAKA'S TARGET
WALKING WITH HIS
FEET ON THE
GROUND, MISAKA
BELIEVES THAT
THE AREA BELOW
THE TARGET--
OR THE SOLES
OF THE TARGET'S
FEET--IS NOT
AFFECTED BY
HIS ABILITY.



MISAKA
CONCLUDES
THAT AN
ASSAULT
UPON THE
TARGET
FROM
BENEATH HIS
FEET MAY BE
MOST
EFFECTIVE.



MISAKA
WAS NOT
RUNNING...



KRAKE



MISAKA
HAS
SUCCEEDED
IN LURING
THE TARGET
TO THE
PROPER DESTINA-
TION.

MISAKA
CORRECTS
THE
ACCUSATION.



KA-BOOOOOM

FLASH

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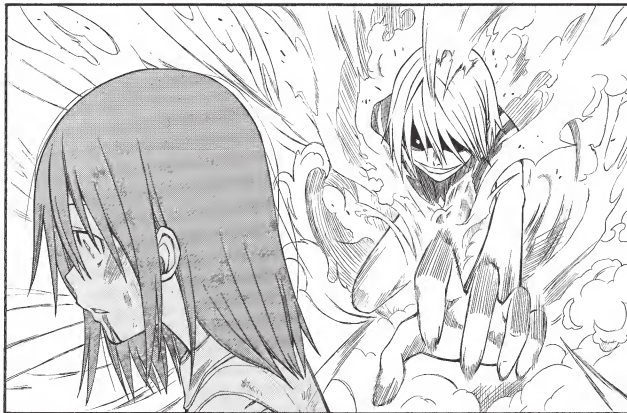
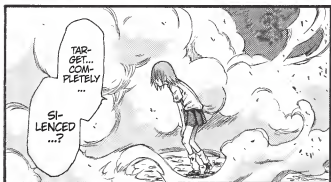
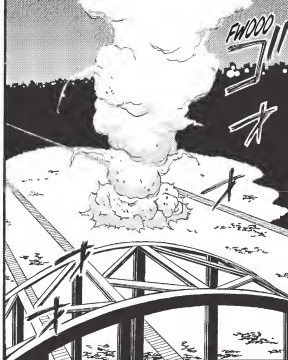
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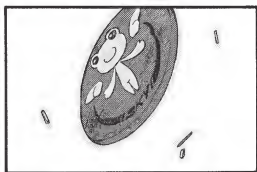
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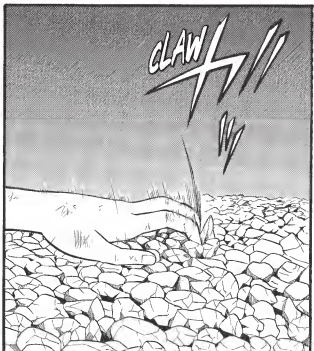
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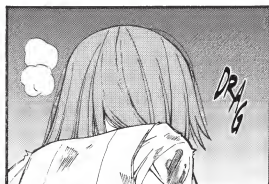
HEY...

ARE YOU
SERIOUSLY
TRYING
TO RUN
AGAIN?

YOU
DO KNOW
THAT
THAT'S A
DEAD END
OVER
THERE.



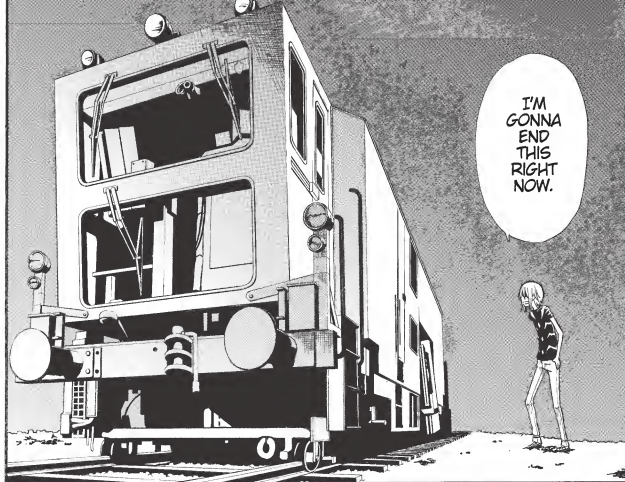
OR
WHAT...?
YOU GOT
ANOTHER
GRAND
SCHEME
UP YOUR
SLEEVE?

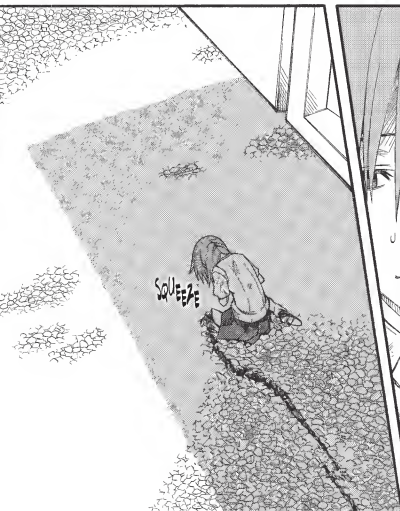
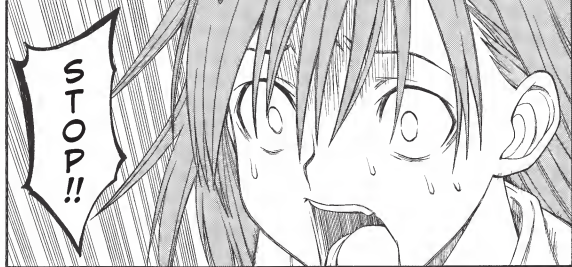


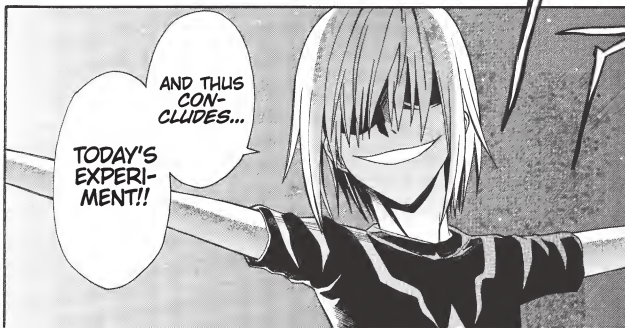
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I THINK
I'VE
HAD
ENOUGH
OF YOU.

GRIND









AND THUS
CON-
CLUDES...

TODAY'S
EXPERI-
MENT!!



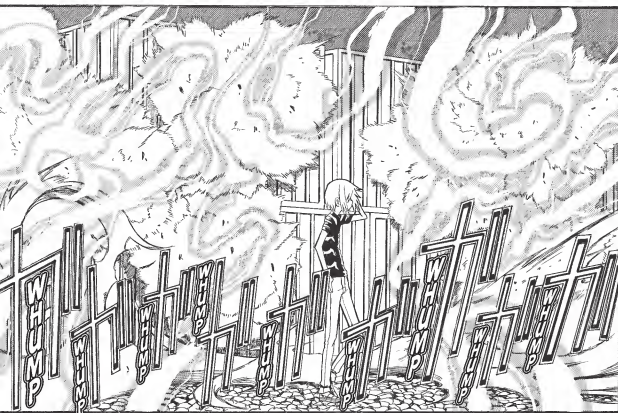
GUESS
I'LL STOP
BY THE
CONVE-
NIENCE
STORE...



ER,
I KINDA
WENT
OVER-
BOARD
THIS
TIME...

I
WONDER
IF THEY'LL
BE ABLE
TO CLEAN
UP THIS
MESS.

NOT
THAT I
REALLY
GIVE A
DAMN





To Be Continued...



GRATZ!!
RAILGUN
VOLUME 4,
YEAH!

I'VE BEEN HONESTLY
ENJOYING IT, READING
EVERY SINGLE VOLUME!
BUT LATELY, TOUMA
HASN'T BEEN IN A LOT OF
EPISODES, SO PLEASE
SUBSTITUTE SOME OF
MIKOTO'S APPEARANCES
FOR HIM!!!

KEJI MIZOGUCHI

I REALLY LOVE
ALL THE DIFFERENT
EXPRESSIONS
FUYUKAWA-SENSEI
HAS FOR THE
MIKOTOS! NOW IF
ONLY THE LAST
ORDER WOULD
SHOW UP, TOO.

ERETTO

Cheers From the Animation Side
(A Congratulatory Message From the Anime Staff)

CONGRATULATIONS
ON THE RELEASE OF
RAILGUN VOLUME 4.
MY NAME IS NAGAI,
AND I'VE BEEN
GRANTED THE GREAT
HONOR OF DIRECTING
THE ANIME VERSION.
I STILL CAN'T
BELIEVE THAT AN
OBSCURE PERSON
LIKE ME WOULD EVER
BE ASKED TO WRITE
A COMMENT IN SUCH
AN OSTENTATIOUS
PLACE...

THE STAFF FOR
THE ANIMATED
"RAILGUN"
AND I WILL TRY
OUR VERY, VERY
BEST TO MATCH
THE AMAZING
POWER OF
FUYUKAWA-SAN
AND
KAMACHI-SAN'S
WORK!

SO PLEASE BE
KIND TO US...

TATSUYUKI NAGAI

GRATZ ON
VOLUME 4!

ILLUSTRATION -
YUICHI TANAKA

PLEASE
WATCH
THE
ANIME,
TOO.

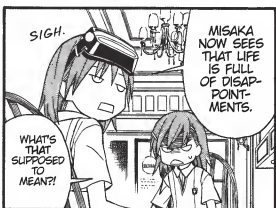
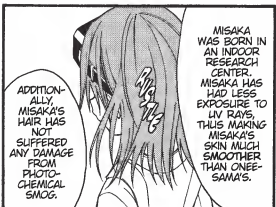
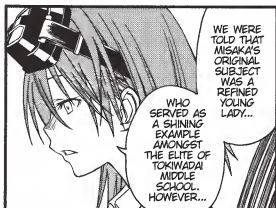
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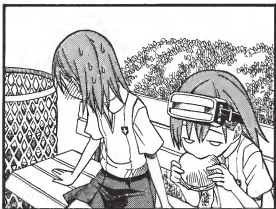
Well, I'm A Sheltered Princess,
After All...



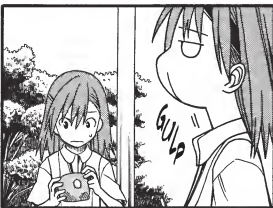
And Misaka Was So Looking
Forward To It, Too...



It's Delicious!



We're All Good On Silver-Haired Sisters*



*In "A Certain Magical Index", Index Librorum Prohibitorum is a silver-haired nun with a polymorphic pit for a stomach.

A Certain
SCIENTIFIC
Railgun

THE "SISTERS" STORY ARC STARTS HERE!

Throughout Academy City, the rumors are spreading like wildfire. People are finding mysterious envelopes containing free cash cards in and around the back alleys of the Seventh School District. Whipped up into a frenzy, the populace looks for as many cash cards as they can get their hands on, even if it means braving the perilous Skill-Out Territory, risking injury or worse by roving gangs of Level 0 thugs. Judgment is left with no choice but to step in...

While Shirai and Uiharu try to crack the case and figure out who is behind the cash card chaos, Misaka decides to take to the streets herself...and soon gets embroiled in a disturbing scientific conspiracy the likes of which will rock her world to the core.

Rated: TEEN

THE BASIS
FOR THE
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